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AT IT'S SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In compliance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois, the Seventy-third Annual Communication was held in the city of Chicago, at Medinah Temple, commencing on Tuesday, the 8th day of October, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and was opened in AMPLE FORM by the M.W. Grand Master, Delmar D. Darrah.

The R.W. Grand Chaplain, Rev. Joseph C. Nate, led the devotions.

PRAYER.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we praise Thee for Thy gracious providence whereby we have been brought safely through the days of another year, and do find ourselves permitted again to assemble as a Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. We thank Thee for the degree in which Thou hast made fruitful in the past year the labors and endeavors of this Grand Lodge, of the officers thereof, and of all the lodges that are constituent therein. And assembled here as brothers in Masonry, we pray for Thy continued blessing upon us and upon the whole brotherhood of men. Bless, we pray Thee, all the interests of our nation, our state, and all the communities thereof. Bless, O God, every interest and every agency of good which can merit Thy divine blessing and favor. May we, in session assembled, know Thy presence in spirit of brotherly love and mutual helpfulness. Grant Thy fatherly protection upon the loved ones in our homes, and upon all for whom we ought to pray. And may these daily sessions of this Grand Lodge be by Thy favor the making of a better manhood, a better Ma-

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sonry, and a better brotherhood of men. And unto Thee shall all praise be ascribed in a world without end. Amen.

REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

Bro. George W. Cyrus, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, announced that representatives from a constitutional number of lodges were present, and asked further time for completing the report. The request was granted.

COMMITTEES.

The R.W. Grand Secretary read the following names of brethren appointed by the M.W. Grand Master to serve on the various committees during this session of the Grand Lodge:

JURISPRUDENCE.—M. C. Crawford, W. B. Wright, C. E. Allen, A. W. Gage, Joseph Wetzel.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.—Jos. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, A. W. West, John B. Fithian (W. O. Butler, special case).

CHARTERED LODGES.—P. C. Barclay, C. P. Ross, Jas. McCredie, James John, A. M. Hallowell.

LODGES U.D.—R. F. Locke, John Johnston, Hugh A. Snell, Emil J. Merki, Albert Jampolis.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.—W. F. Beck, H. T. Goddard, John C. Weis, D. W. Starr, Anthony Doherty.

FINANCE.—S. O. Spring, Thos. A. Stevens, N. N. Lampert.

CORRESPONDENCE.—Owen Scott.

TRUSTEES OF MASONIC HOMES.—Geo. M. Moulton, W. A. Dixon, R. J. Daly, James A. Steele, Henry W. Berks, R. C. Fletcher.

OBITUARIES.—Chas. H. Martin, Geo. E. Carlson, R. G. Bright.

GRAND EXAMINERS.—J. M. Hannum, J. E. Jeffers, E. E. Beach, A. E. Wood, C. L. Gregory.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BLUE BOOK.—Edward Cook, Wm. E. Edwards, Alonzo Dolan.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GRAND LODGE BUILDING.—A. H. Bell, C. F. Newkirk, L. C. Johnson, John D. Cleveland, W. E. Fitch.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON UNITED CHARITIES.—J. B. McFatrich, C. S. DeHart, L. L. Emmerson.

Special Committee on Proposition from Greenwood Cemetery Association.—Andrew McNally, Amos Pettibone, W. H. Robson.

Credentials.—G. W. Cyrus, N. B. Carson, J. L. Klemme, H. A. Clevenstine, R. C. Clark.

Petitions.—Louis Zinger, Wm. F. Gibson, Norman Mesnard.

Grand Master's Address.—A. M. Otman, H. L. Browning, D. E. Bruffett.

TELEGRAMS OF REGRET.

R.W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler spoke feelingly of the absence of M.W. Bros. Wm. H. Scott, Charles F. Hitchcock and A. B. Ashley, and suggested that telegrams be sent them.

The Grand Secretary sent the following telegrams:

W. H. Scott, M.W. Past Grand Master, Alameda, California.

Greetings from the Grand Lodge. Regrets for your absence. Though 3,000 miles away the cords of fraternity extend from our hearts to yours. Hopes for restored health and long life. Fraternally,

Isaac Cutter, *Grand Secretary.*

C. F. Hitchcock, M.W. Past Grand Master, Peoria, Ill.

Absence makes the heart grow fonder. The Grand Lodge regrets your illness and your absence from the place you have so long and usefully filled. The Craft hope for speedy recovery and long life.

Fraternally,

Isaac Cutter, *Grand Secretary.*

A. B. Ashley, M.W. Past Grand Master, Spring Lake, Mich.

You were greatly missed by the members of the craft at this session of the Grand Lodge, and many regrets were heard that business engagements were such that you could not attend. We all hope that you will be with us next year. Fraternally,

Isaac Cutter, *Grand Sec'y.*

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

A very delightful musical program was presented by Bros. C. F. Hunneman, violin; C. E. Gould, cornet, and George J. Kurzenknabe, organ. A vote of thanks was extended by the Grand Lodge.

ADDRESS—Grand Master.

The M.W. Grand Master delivered the Annual Address. A motion was made and carried that it be referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

We have assembled this morning that we may participate in the seventy-third annual meeting of this Grand Lodge. It affords me pleasure to welcome each and every one of you; especially the representatives of the lodges of the state, all of whom have a part in the duties and responsibilities of this assemblage.

The Grand Master of heaven and earth has been good to us since our last meeting, and we are under obligations to Him for many evidences of His kindness, mercy, and goodness, which have been liberally showered upon us during the past twelve months. Masonically, the year has been fraught with splendid achievement and greater uplift, and we have just cause for congratulation upon the progress we have made.

This morning we stand in the gateway of a new year; the questions which confront us are not of the past but of the future; the history of the year that has gone is written, and whether it be for good or evil, it is not in our power to change it.

State of the Fraternity.

It is with satisfaction and pride that I report to you the flattering condition of the craft in Illinois. While we have instituted but eight new lodges during the year this comparatively small number is due to the fact that no dispensations were granted except where it was clearly shown that the best interests of the fraternity demanded a lodge.

Our growth in the last ten years has been almost phenomenal. In 1902, the Grand Lodge of Illinois comprised 724 chartered lodges with a total membership of 63,034. The net gain for that year was 3,367; the report which the Grand Secretary will make to you this year shows that we have 807 lodges, with a membership in round numbers of 115,000, a gain for the year of approximately 7,000. From this it will be seen that at the present rate of increase it will be but a few years until the Grand Lodge of Illinois will number 150,000 good and true men, the flower of Illinois manhood. Who can estimate the power for good of this great body of men standing shoulder to shoulder in a righteous cause? Does anyone dare say that the lodges in Illinois may not become moral foci from which may radiate great influences for good in every community?

Ten years ago we had no organized charities; today we can refer to two splendid institutions, proving conclusively that the much boasted doctrine of brotherhood has found permanent expression among the Masons of this great state. As evidence of our material prosperity, I call your attention to the fact that all over the state splendid buildings are being erected in which to enshrine the principles of Freemasonry. During the year structures have been consecrated to masonic uses which have cost in the aggregate, over one-half million dollars, a fact which testifies to the permanence of our fraternity.

Our Fraternal Dead.

Before we commence our active labors it is proper that we should pause in reverence to the memory of those who have laid down the apron and trowel for higher service. So far as I have been informed no Past Grand Officer of this Grand Lodge has been called to his final reward, but many good and true Masons have answered the fatal summons and will assemble with us no more in our lodge meetings. It is not my purpose to usurp any of the prerogatives of the Committee on Obituaries and I will leave to these brethren the duty of paying proper respect to the dead of this and other Grand Jurisdictions.

Foreign Relations.

Our relations with Grand Lodges in fraternal correspondence has been of the most cordial character, which gives evidence that the cement of brotherly love is being liberally spread, and that the lesson of the trowel is not in vain.

District Deputy Grand Masters.

My first official act was the appointment of competent brethren to serve as District Deputy Grand Masters of the several masonic districts of the state. For a long time this position has been largely honorary and these brethren not having their duties clearly defined have been left to do whatever they saw fit. The result was that the District Deputy would perform such acts as the Grand Master might delegate to him and occasionally occupy the head of the banquet table of such lodges as might invite him to participate in their festivities.

Believing that the time had arrived when Masonry in Illinois should become better organized I arranged a system of district visitation and inspection, and informed the Deputies that they were to be all that their title implied, viz.: Grand Masters of their respective districts. With eight hundred lodges and one hundred and fifteen thousand Masons in the state it is impossible for any Grand Master to keep in touch with

the craft and to know what conditions really exist among the lodges except as this information is gathered by District Deputy Grand Masters.

I therefore addressed a letter to the several District Deputies of the state urging upon them the necessity of visiting each of the lodges of their districts and making an examination and report on existing conditions. In order that they might better understand just what the Grand Master's office would expect from them I defined their duties and prerogatives, and provided them with a special blank upon which to make report to me. I am pleased to state that the results obtained from this visitation and inspection have clearly exceeded my most sanguine expectations. It was my most earnest desire to have each lodge in the state visited during the year, and while I have not succeeded in this, due to the fact that some District Deputies could not give the necessary time to the work and others were deterred by the late spring and bad roads, yet a majority of the lodges have been reached and the result has been an awakened interest in Masonry. Many lodges which were dormant have been aroused, abuses have been corrected, and upon the whole conditions throughout the state greatly improved.

To these valiant brethren who have so ably aided and supported me in this great undertaking I doff my hat and publicly acknowledge to them a debt of gratitude. They have given freely of their time and talent and this Grand Lodge is deeply indebted to them. It has been a labor of love, the expenses in a number of visitations being paid by the District Deputy himself.

The splendid results obtained show the wisdom of lodge visitation and inspection and I believe that the time has come when this Grand Lodge should recognize the District Deputies of the state by providing for this service at the expense of the Grand Lodge and I trust that steps will at once be taken to secure a better organization of Masonry in Illinois through its District Deputy Grand Masters. The reports submitted by the Deputies have been sent to the Committee on Chartered Lodges, who have tabulated them, and will make a detailed report to this Grand Lodge showing the condition of the lodges of the state from which some idea may be derived as to what is most needed to secure a higher degree of lodge efficiency.

Lodges Constituted.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge it was directed that charters be issued to twenty-two lodges which had been working under dispensation. These were duly constituted, the ceremonies, with one exception, being performed by the District Deputies who had been in charge of the rites of institution.

Lodges Instituted.

Eight dispensations for new lodges have been issued during the year. One of the highest prerogatives in the province of the Grand Master lies in granting authority for the formation of new lodges. In this important step great care and caution must be exercised, existing conditions and environment thoroughly canvassed and the best interests of the craft consulted. It is impossible for the Grand Master to investigate in person each application for a new lodge. For this reason when the constitutional number have expressed a desire to form a new lodge I have appointed a commission of three unbiased brethren to visit the locality of the proposed lodge, interview the membership and report upon the advisability of issuing the necessary papers. No papers have been sent except upon recommendation of a majority of the members of the commission. I believe that this procedure is absolutely necessary in order to safeguard the institution. The idea obtains that we are forming too many new lodges. It should be remembered, however, that our state is growing rapidly in population, new towns are springing up and there will always be a demand for more lodges. If Masonry is a genuine virtue and we believe it to be, then we should rejoice in its propagation and the means which bring its blessings to a greater number of men.

Dedications.

During the year eight masonic halls have been dedicated to the uses of Freemasonry. Five of these ceremonies were conducted in person and three by proxy. An idea obtains that a lodge cannot occupy a hall until after it has been dedicated. So far as I know there is no law making it obligatory upon a lodge to dedicate its place of meeting, but it is a masonic custom more honored in the observance than in the breach and no lodge should ever omit the beautiful and impressive ceremony of dedication.

Corner-Stones Laid.

During the year I have laid the corner-stones of 5 masonic temples, 2 court houses, and 2 high school buildings. Soon after my installation as Grand Master I received a letter inviting me to lay the corner-stone of a church edifice. In a few hours I received a telegram asking me not to do anything with the invitation as a note of explanation was in the mails. The following day I received a letter from the District Deputy advising me that when it had become known that the officials of the church had invited the masonic fraternity to lay the corner-stone a remonstrance had been circulated and in the course of the day had secured over five hundred signatures. Very naturally I declined the invitation. This incident led to some investigation on my part

and I found that in a number of instances where the fraternity had been invited to lay the corner-stones of church edifices some friction had resulted, certain members of the church objecting to the presence of the fraternity, also to the masonic inscription upon the stone. I have, therefore, declined to lay the corner-stones of church edifices, justifying my position with the belief that a church is not a public building as contemplated in the regulations of Freemasons and that such a procedure would save the fraternity from unnecessary embarrassment. The corner-stone ceremony as provided by this Grand Lodge is purely a masonic rite and when performed outside of the fraternity it is done so merely as a matter of accommodation.

Dispensations.

I have had many requests for dispensations for all sorts of purposes. I have cheerfully granted such as were deemed expedient and permitted by law. During December many lodges found themselves without an annual meeting night owing to the vagaries of the moon. To all such I issued dispensations to hold their annual elections at a fixed date and waived the usual fee. I have refused many calls for dispensations to omit the examination for advancement because the candidate was too busy to learn the lecture. I believe that a man who is too busy to memorize his catechism is also too busy to make a good Mason.

I have had several requests to ballot and confer the first degree in less than the lawful time because the petitioner was going to move away. It seems strange that a man will live twenty years within the shadow of a masonic lodge and never think about sending in his petition. But when he is about to move away he decides that he wants his degrees, and being one of those who "wants what he wants when he wants it," demands them in a hurry. The lodge seeing the mercenary side of the matter is usually ready to aid and abet him. The best evidence that Masonry is of no light and trifling character will be found in fewer dispensations and no making of Masons at sight.

Grand Lecturers.

A pleasing duty at the commencement of my administration was that of affixing my name to commissions for Grand Lecturers. There has been a feeling for some time that we had too many Grand Lecturers and that the number should be reduced. Personally, I do not believe that we can have too great a number, provided they are of the right kind and give evidence of maintaining the standard of excellence set by our Board of Grand Examiners. I would rejoice to know that there was a Grand Lecturer in each lodge in the state.

If in times past we have had incompetent Grand Lecturers the fault lies not so much with the lecturer as with the Grand Lodge itself. For many years the system has been conducted in a manner not at all creditable. There has never been any fixed standard by which a grand lecturer might be judged; his examination for the coveted honor has been at his own volition and expense, and his presence at our schools though expected, has not been seriously regarded. I have therefore tried to place our Grand Lecturer system upon a better basis by directing our Board of Grand Examiners to thoroughly revise the list of Grand Lecturers and to fix some definite standard whereby a Grand Lecturer might know what was expected from him, and what course he must pursue to enable him to retain his commission. I directed that all examinations for commissions must be conducted in a manner in keeping with the dignity of this Grand Lodge, and that when a sufficient number of brethren expressed the desire for an examination, the Board of Grand Examiners would be called to some convenient point and the examination conducted. Under the able management of our present Board of Grand Examiners, marked improvement has been made in our Grand Lecturer system. These commissioned brethren are of great value to this Grand Lodge, performing their labors in many instances at personal sacrifice and without recompense of any kind. They should have every encouragement in the splendid work they are doing.

German Speaking Lodges.

Believing that the nine German speaking lodges of our state were not receiving the consideration due them from this Grand Lodge and knowing it to be impossible to reach them through an English speaking Deputy, I appointed R.W. Bro. Felix von Wysow, of Chicago, District Deputy Grand Master for German speaking lodges in Illinois. Because of ill health Brother Wysow was compelled to resign soon after accepting the office, and I appointed R.W. Bro. William Arens, of Chicago, to succeed him. Brother Arens entered upon the duties of his office with much zeal, visited the lodges under his charge, held several schools of instruction, and has been of material assistance to our German speaking brethren. Such splendid results have been derived from the system inaugurated and believing that due recognition should be accorded to our brethren of the German language, I recommend that our laws be changed to provide for the regular appointment of a District Deputy Grand Master for the German speaking lodges of the state.

Our Homes.

It is with pardonable pride that we point to our two splendid charities, the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, and the Illinois Masonic

Home at Sullivan. From reports which I have gathered I believe these two institutions to be in splendid condition due to the excellent management of the present Board of Trustees. These brethren are all capable business men who are giving freely of their time and talent without the hope of fee or reward. To them this Grand Lodge owes a lasting debt of gratitude.

Our Schools.

One of the duties imposed upon the Grand Master is to provide for thorough instruction in the ritual and lectures of this Grand Jurisdiction. Our law suggests no plan of instruction and the whole matter rests with the officer in charge.

I followed the beaten path of my predecessors in office and nominated five schools of instruction for the year 1912. A complete resume of these schools prepared by the secretary of the Board of Grand Examiners accompanies this document and will be read with interest by all friends of our present school system. I believe that the schools of the past year have been as successful as any held by the Grand Lodge. While the figures compare favorably with those of other years yet a careful analysis of them leads to the conviction that our schools are not attracting as many lodge officers as they should. This year every effort was put forth to widely advertise the schools and lodge officers were urged to attend, yet the results show little improvement over preceding years.

Many brethren have come to look upon our present schools as a sort of post graduate course where those who are highly proficient may go to learn the finer points of the ritual and revel in discussions upon angles and turns, and where only a Grand Lecturer may receive direct benefit.

While there is some force in this argument, yet it is in the main fallacious. The purpose of our state schools is to maintain a high degree of proficiency in ritualistic work and to hold before the craft those ideals which make for decency and good order in our lodges and they will always find a necessary place in our system of instruction.

It is to the district school that we must look for the best results in teaching the work. The state school must necessarily be located in our larger cities where there are ample hotel facilities and large lodge rooms. For this reason only certain sections of the state can be favored with the larger schools. The district school has already been tested out and the results have been highly satisfactory. Not only are they beneficial in teaching the ritual but the bringing together of the brethren of the district has a splendid effect in promoting a community of interests as well as a fraternal regard for one another.

Early in the year I addressed a letter to each of the District Deputies of the state urging them if possible to hold district schools, the expenses to be pro-rated among the lodges of the district. As a result a number of these schools were held and are reported in full in the resume made by the Board of Grand Examiners.

The future upbuilding of the lodges in Illinois lies in the district schools and more of them are needed in order to reach sections of our state which can never be reached with our state schools. I am fully persuaded that the number of state schools now held should be reduced to three, and ten district schools held, each conducted by a member of the Board of Grand Examiners, or if it is deemed expedient to continue the present number of state schools that an appropriation be placed in the hands of the Grand Master for an extension of our present system and the holding of schools of instruction in neglected portions of our state.

Deed Wanted.

Back in the sixties or seventies, Cement Lodge No. 304, of Utica, Illinois, owned lot 2 in block 19 in the Oak Hill Cemetery at that place. Ten years later Cement lodge became defunct, and it is presumed that the title to this lot reverted to the Grand Lodge. Utica Lodge No. 858, the successor to old Cement lodge, requests this Grand Lodge to quit-claim to them any title to the lot in question which it may have. Their request is referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Official Visitation.

The most sought for dignitary at all masonic functions is the Grand Master, not perhaps, because of any personal characteristics, but by reason of the high office which he holds. During the year I have received many invitations from the lodges of the state to visit them, and have accepted such as stress of business would permit. I have always responded to an invitation when I thought I was needed, or that my presence could be of any real value to the craft. Wherever I have gone, I have been generously received and cordially treated, and I take this opportunity of returning my profound thanks for the many favors shown me by the Masons of this great commonwealth.

On January 25, in company with the officers of the Grand Lodge, Board of Grand Examiners, and a number of distinguished brethren, I visited George Washington Lodge, of St. Louis, Mo., where I had the pleasure of meeting Most Worshipful Brother Arch A. Johnson, Grand Master of Masons of that splendid jurisdiction on the west. The visitors from Illinois were royally received and hospitably treated. Two degrees were conferred during the evening; one by our Illinois craftsmen and

one from our brethren from Missouri. Incident to the festivities of the evening, Worshipful Bro. Leon W. Quick, Master of George Washington Lodge, presented each of the Grand Masters with silver tablets commemorative of the meeting of these two brethren within the confines of our sister jurisdiction.

Early in March of this year, I accepted the invitation of Rock Island Lodge No. 658, of Rock Island, Ill., to pay them an official visit, at which time it was expected to have as an honored guest Most Worshipful Bro. Louis Block, of Davenport, Ia. I was greatly disappointed in not being able to meet this distinguished and brilliant Mason, as he was not permitted to be present owing to an important law suit which detained him. The evening spent with Rock Island Lodge was of a purely social character, and was most delightful. Both Brother Block and myself were recipients of loving cups, which I am confident we will both treasure as mementoes of a meeting which was accomplished in spirit if not in person. It was my intention to visit each of the Grand Jurisdictions whose borders touch upon our state, but I soon found that the Grand Master of Masons of Illinois had very little time on his hands for visiting away from home.

Questions Referred.

Last October, a gentleman residing within the jurisdiction of Elkhart Lodge No. 903, petitioned Logan Lodge No. 210 for the degrees in Masonry. The petitioner was duly elected, and the Entered Apprentice degree conferred, when Logan Lodge found that they did not have jurisdiction. Elkhart Lodge declined to waive in favor of Logan Lodge and the latter then made a tender of the candidate and the fee to Elkhart Lodge. Elkhart Lodge declined to accept the candidate, saying that they did not want him. The question has arisen what is the status of the said Entered Apprentice and what should be done with the fee paid by him to Logan Lodge No. 210? The questions arising out of this case are referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Early in January I received from a distinguished craftsman in Illinois the following questions:

1. Does the necessity of wearing a truss, which it would be dangerous to remove, even temporarily, disqualify a man from receiving the degrees in Masonry?

2. If so, when, where, by whom and in what way should this information be obtained?

The brother who submitted these questions was frank enough to say that he did not want any stock reply behind which Grand Masters had been hiding when they did not have the nerve to decide, or were

ashamed to say, "I don't know," to-wit: "The Master of each lodge must decide the question of physical qualifications, at his peril, as each case presents itself," and suggested that that answer had "driven more Masters to drink, profanity, and eternal damnation than all their other troubles." Being heartily in sympathy with the views of the brother, I answered this question by saying that the wearing of a truss which it is dangerous to remove even temporarily does not disqualify a man from receiving the degrees in Masonry. This same question came up at our schools of instruction, and when I answered as above, several strict ritualists took exception. I have had no occasion to change the opinion ventured and hold that if the wearing of the truss debars a man from receiving the degrees, then modern dentistry has placed a similar handicap upon many good men in the way of artificial teeth and gold crowns. In order that the question may be definitely settled and that brethren may have something tangible to guide them, I ask that the matter be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Jurisdiction of Chicago Lodges.

During the year a number of questions have come up in which the jurisdiction of a number of Chicago lodges has been involved. Many new lodges have been instituted in Cook county within the last few years and the result has been a constant changing of jurisdictional lines. Early in the year several Masons of Chicago expressed the opinion that concurrent jurisdictions now in force in the city should be extended throughout the county. The subject is one of great consequence to the lodges of Chicago and Cook county, and is one which must have most careful consideration. I would recommend that a committee of five be appointed to consider this whole subject, and if possible, to suggest a remedy for the present jurisdictional entanglements and to report their conclusions at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge.

Black Balls.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters show that lodges are not maintaining a sufficient number of black balls in the ballot box. In some instances only one or two black balls have been found, and as a general rule, not enough black balls are present to enable a lodge to properly discharge business requiring a two-thirds ballot. In the absence of any law upon the subject, I have held that of the number of ballots in the box one-half should be black. As to the correctness of this position, I am not certain and I ask that the question be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence so that in the future we may have some fixed standard as a guide.

Discipline.

But few infractions of law requiring disciplinary proceedings have come to my notice. One case, however, I desire to report. Early in the spring my attention was called to the fact that three members of a lodge in southern Illinois had participated in the masonic burial of a negro. An investigation was instituted, and it was found that a Past Master, a Past Senior Warden and a member of the lodge had assisted in the funeral ceremonies of a negro Mason in the capacity of pall bearers, and had worn the regalia of the clandestine organization. They justified their conduct upon the ground that the negroes being short of help had importuned them. I ordered the lodge to prefer charges against the three offenders, which was done, with the result that the Past Master was expelled and his two companions were sentenced to definite suspension for one year.

Card Index System.

One of the greatest needs of the Grand Secretary's office is a system for keeping the individual masonic record of the members of Illinois lodges. In this respect, we are now far behind other grand jurisdictions, most of which have adopted the card index system. It is now utterly impossible to tell whether a certain man is a member of a lodge or has ever been a Mason. With a card index system these questions would be readily answered and the system would prove of great value to this Grand Lodge in many other ways. While it is true that the installation of such an index might require an extra clerk in the Grand Secretary's office, yet the benefits to be derived fully justify the means. I therefore recommend that a committee of three be appointed to thoroughly investigate the card index system as employed by other jurisdictions and to report to this Grand Lodge at its next annual meeting upon the advisability of the installation of such a system in the office of our Grand Secretary.

Amendments.

Each year a large number of amendments are offered to the constitution and by-laws of this Grand Lodge. Some of them are good, others indifferent. The result is that our existing laws are kept in a state of chaos. A blue book issued a year ago is today out of date because of the fact that numerous changes in the law have been made. Many of these amendments receive hasty consideration in our Grand Lodge and are passed with a none too correct understanding of their true import and effect upon existing conditions. The result of constantly changing the law is not conducive to the best interests of the fraternity, and I am firmly of the opinion that this Grand Lodge should provide for a committee on laws that no amendment should be adopted which does not have the approval of such committee.

Amendment to Constitution.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge amendments to Section 2, Article 8; also to Section 1, Article 11, of the Constitution, were submitted and received by this Grand Lodge. As these amendments must be sent to the constituent lodges for their acceptance or rejection, the Grand Secretary, according to custom, prepared a circular letter embodying the proposed amendments and such other information as was deemed necessary to enable the lodges to act intelligently upon the proposition. Soon after the circular was issued, I received a number of letters from distinguished Masons in the state objecting both to the amendment and to the manner in which it was sent to the lodges. To sum up briefly the objections are as follows:

First—No amendment was offered to Section 3, Article 8 of the Constitution.

Second—The Grand Lodge cannot amend its Constitution without first amending its charter, which, according to the act of 1855, says, "that the officers of the Grand Lodge (naming them) together with the Masters and Wardens of the several lodges shall be and the same are hereby forever declared to be a body politic and corporate," etc. Therefore, any action contrary to the terms of said charter, would be *"ultra vires* and of no force and effect."

Third—The circular as sent out is addressed to nobody.

Fourth—The direction to the lodges to "read all that the Grand Master said on these subjects in his report to the Grand Lodge printed in the proceedings of 1911," prejudices the lodges in favor of the proposition.

Fifth—The direction that "the Worshipful Master of each constituent lodge in Illinois is required to submit the above amendment to vote of his lodge at the first stated meeting after this is received" is an error, and caused many lodges to act hastily and without a full knowledge of the true import of the amendment.

I allowed the vote on the proposition to proceed, and before announcing the result to this Grand Lodge, I ask that the whole matter, together with the objections offered, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, that the legality of the proceeding may be passed upon.

Delayed Installations.

I find that a number of lodges are exceedingly dilatory in the matter of holding their installations, some of them allowing six months to elapse between election and installation. When the matter is called to their attention, they justify their tardiness by referring to the law which

says: "The installation ceremonies shall be held as soon after election as convenient." I recommend that the law be changed to read, "The installation ceremonies shall be held within thirty days after election."

Cipher Rituals.

I have found to my surprise that hundreds of cipher rituals are not only in daily use in Illinois among lodge officers, but it is even charged that some grand lecturers have learned their work from this spurious source. The traffic in these books is conducted openly. Each year the state is flooded with circulars by an outside book concern calling attention to these aids to learning the work and inviting brethren to act as their agents, and it cannot be doubted but that they derive an immense business as a result of their efforts. During the year many of these books have been taken up by District Deputies and sent me to be destroyed. Within three weeks following the constitution of a lodge which received its charter at last Grand Lodge, I sent one of my officers to take up three cipher rituals which were in active use. In a central Illinois lodge it was found that a local druggist and a member of the lodge was openly selling these unlawful books over his counter. I ordered charges preferred against him with the result that the lodge gave him a reprimand, not wishing to expel him, for fear, perhaps, their source of supply might be disturbed. This case I have appealed to the Grand Lodge and it is now before the Committee on Appeals for review. A brother disciplined for officiating as pall bearer at a negro masonic funeral disclosed the fact that in his lodge there were seven cipher rituals in active use, and that the members were in the habit of exchanging rituals with a negro lodge of Masons. This case is now under investigation. Last fall I instructed all District Deputies to commence a vigorous crusade against the cipher ritual with the result that some progress has been made.

For many years the Grand Lodge of Illinois has remained silent upon this important question, proceeding upon the theory that the less said about the matter the better. As a result of this course the use of cipher rituals has developed and expanded until it now possesses the state. Brethren who own them justify themselves with the statement that they did not know it was unlawful. The effect is felt in our schools of instruction and the comparatively small attendance in proportion to the number of Masons in the state is unmistakable evidence that some brethren do not have to go away from home to learn the work. The time has come when this Grand Lodge must meet the cipher ritual question either by stamping out the evil and declaring itself unequivocally in favor of the dissemination of the work from mouth to ear, or by issuing an authorized ritual of the standard work of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Masonic Emblems in Government Cemeteries.

In October, 1908, the War Department adopted a regulation providing that no emblems or insignia of fraternal or other societies shall be placed on monuments or tombstones erected at the graves of those buried in government cemeteries. I have received a great many letters from members of the craft protesting against this regulation, and urging that the Grand Lodge of Illinois take some action. I have been addressed upon the subject by the Grand Secretary of Mississippi, who has asked that the matter be presented to this Grand Lodge and that we join them in opposing the measure. I am informed that a bill has been introduced into Congress known as House Joint Resolution No. 271, which proposes to abrogate the measure adopted by the War Department. I ask that the advisability of passing a resolution favoring the passage of this bill and urging the craft of Illinois to use their good efforts with representatives in Congress to secure their favorable action toward this bill, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Hot Springs Circular.

Early in the year Hot Springs Lodge 62, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, sent a number of letters into the state asking for contributions toward the building of a masonic hot water sanitarium. I called the matter to the attention of the Grand Master of Arkansas, advising him that it was contrary to our rules to allow any appeal of this kind to go to the lodges without first securing the approval of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge. He informed me that the brethren of Hot Springs had acted without his knowledge or consent. I then received a letter from the brethren of Hot Springs asking that their appeal be presented to this Grand Lodge, which they base upon the fact that they are continually being called upon to care for distressed brethren from other Grand Jurisdictions who become stranded among them. I recommend that this appeal of our Hot Springs brethren be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The George Washington National Memorial Association.

At the last two sessions of this Grand Lodge reports were submitted concerning the Washington Memorial Association of Alexandria, Va., and I believe that circulars of information have been sent to many of the lodges of the state. That those present may know the aims and purposes of this organization, I quote from the constitution:

"1st. The object of this Association shall be the collection of a fund to erect and maintain a suitable masonic memorial to George Washington in the form of a temple in the city of Alexandria, Va., provided that

at least one floor therein be set apart forever as a memorial hall, to be under the control of the several Grand Jurisdictions in the United States of America members of this Association.

"2nd. To provide a place where the several Grand Jurisdictions, members of the said Association, may perpetuate, in imperishable form, the memory and achievements of the men whose distinguished services, zealous attachment, and unswerving fidelity to the principles of our institution merit particular and lasting reward; to create, foster, and diffuse a more intimate fraternal spirit, understanding, and intercourse between the several Grand Jurisdictions and sovereign Grand Bodies throughout the United States and her insular possessions, members of this Association; to cherish, maintain, and extend the wholesome influence and example of our illustrious dead."

To finance the undertaking its promoters are asking for contributions payable in five yearly installments. Twenty-three Grand Lodges have become members of the Association. So far as I can determine the Grand Lodge of Illinois has never taken any formal action upon the subject. I therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge give its endorsement to the undertaking by becoming a member thereof, and that the Finance Committee be instructed to suggest to the Grand Lodge a plan for raising our share of the fund to be created.

Moon Lodges.

Two hundred and ninety lodges in Illinois still hold their stated meetings according to the moon, thus requiring their members to consult the calendar or an almanac when they wish to go to lodge. During the early part of the present year the "woman in the moon" decided that it might be well to pass up a few lodge meetings and arranged her schedule in such a manner that a number of lodges found themselves without a stated meeting in December, and as a result much trouble and confusion was occasioned. One lodge meeting by the moon found itself without a meeting night for a period of three months. In this age of interurbans and automobiles, there is very little reason why lodges should meet by the moon, and I am of the opinion that a fixed calendar meeting date conduces to better lodge attendance. I believe that the time has come when this Grand Lodge should require all its constituent lodges to hold their stated meetings upon a fixed calendar date, and thus put an end to a system which is not only obsolete but will result in interminable confusion.

Abuse of Black Ball.

William Booth once said that he found church choirs infested with three devils; the flirting devil, the dressing devil, and the quarrelling

devil. We are not bothered in Masonry very much with the flirting devil, but many of our Past Grand Masters know from experience that we have a few of the quarrelling devils, and all of us know that we have some dressing devils. But to my mind the worst devil in Masonry is the black balling devil. During the year this misguided brother has given me my full share of trouble. I have never been able to understand just why the good work of fifty men should be set at naught by one man who proposes to disable the lodge simply because he has never learned that masonic lesson of "who best can work and best agree," and at the same time, be allowed to keep up his nefarious work year in and year out. In each case which has been reported to me, I have made a thorough investigation of existing conditions and where I found that a brother was using the black ball to disturb the peace and harmony of the lodge, I served him with notice that unless he ceased his pernicious activity charges would at once be preferred against him. I am pleased to report that in every instance the offender has promised to be good, and the lodges involved are now happily at labor fulfilling their true mission in Masonry. It is puerile and foolish to allow one man to break up a lodge simply because he is permitted to entrench himself behind a law which was never framed for his benefit and which says that the reason for casting a black ball cannot be inquired into. We have been entirely too lenient in times past with offenders of this sort and whenever it shall become known that lodges will not tolerate an abuse of the black ball, much of the trouble arising from this source will be at an end.

Correspondence.

During the year I have handled an immense amount of correspondence, writing some days as high as forty and fifty letters on Grand Lodge matters. I have no complaint whatever to make, as I believe it to be the business of the Grand Master to set the craft to work and keep them from falling into error. I have cheerfully answered all questions submitted to me and believe that when brethren are in doubt, it is better to ask for information than to proceed on an erroneous assumption.

Revision Committee.

At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge a special committee was appointed to revise the Book of Ceremonials and likewise our Blue Book. The committee first paid their attention to the Book of Ceremonials as the supply in the Grand Secretary's office was exhausted. A great deal of painstaking labor was given to this work; the various ceremonials were thoroughly revised; faulty English corrected; phraseology modified, and inconsistencies eliminated. The directions accompanying

the ceremonies were simplified, and upon the whole the book greatly improved. This Grand Lodge may not know it, but they now have a Book of Ceremonials of which they may justly be proud and the committee have a right to feel well satisfied with the results of their labors. It is no idle motive which prompts me to say that this Book of Ceremonials will long reflect the skill and ability of that master of good English and faultless diction, Past Grand Master Edward Cook. After completing their work on the Book of Ceremonials, the committee took up the task of the revision of the Blue Book. As it was one of considerable consequence, and as there was immediate need for an edition of the volume, it was deemed best to insert missing amendments in their proper place; revise the forms in the back of the book, and print a supply for present use.

Although the printing of 3,500 copies was ordered at last Grand Lodge, I directed that only 1,200 copies be printed because I believe that a thorough revision of the book should be made before any great number are printed. At this Grand Lodge a number of amendments will come up for action, and which, if adopted, should be inserted in our law. Those who have occasion to consult our Blue Book are fully convinced that our law is not concrete, that many amendments adopted in times past have been inserted under articles which were not altogether germane.

By revising the Blue Book, I do not wish to be understood as changing the law, but my idea is that it should be re-arranged and presented in such a manner that its various provisions may be easily found and readily understood. I therefore recommend that that committee appointed at last Grand Lodge be continued with instructions to make a thorough revision of our Blue Book along the lines suggested, and to present the result of their labors to this Grand Lodge for its adoption or rejection.

Library Fund.

Early in the spring it was my pleasure to dedicate the Auditorium Masonic Temple by invitation of Chicago Lodge No. 437, and Standard Lodge No. 873. In honor of this event, these two lodges created a fund of $100, named in my honor, for the purpose of buying books for the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange and the Masonic Home at Sullivan. The money was duly forwarded to the Board of Trustees and expended for the purpose named. At the time of the creation of the fund it was hoped that other lodges in Illinois would likewise contribute so that substantial libraries might be provided in our two splendid charitable institutions.

A short time ago a Chicago brother sent out a letter to the lodges of Cook county, asking them to contribute toward the purchase of books for the Orphans' Home at LaGrange. As a result of his appeal, the following responses were received:

Garfield Lodge No. 686	$100.00
Concord Lodge No. 917	50.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895	10.00
Oak Park Lodge No. 540	10.00
Herder Lodge No. 669	10.00
Northshore Lodge No. 937	10.00
Welcome Lodge No. 916	10.00
John B. Sherman Lodge No. 880	25.00
Jackson Park Lodge No. 915	10.00
Ben Hur Lodge No. 818	10.00
Constancia Lodge No. 783	5.00
Harber Lodge No. 731	10.00
Edgewater Lodge No. 901	15.00
Ogden Park Lodge No. 897	10.00

The amounts above mentioned have been placed in the hands of a special committee, consisting of Chas. E. Bassett, Samuel I. Frankland and Roy K. Wheeler, to be expended in the purchase of suitable books for the use of the children in the Orphans' Home at LaGrange. The lodges of Chicago which have contributed so liberally for this purpose have done a splendid act and one which will be lasting in its benefits.

Smoking in Open Lodge.

A growing evil in our masonic lodges is the habit of smoking during business or work. During the year a good deal of complaint has been entered against the practice not only by brethren but by Masters who were seeking some means of curbing the custom. There is no more argument for smoking in lodge than in church, and no Mason of refinement and culture will do it. The brother who cannot refrain from smoking during the short period that the lodge is in session gives unmistakable evidence of the fact that there is one masonic lesson he has failed to master—that of learning to subdue his passions. I am fully of the opinion that smoking should never be tolerated in a lodge room during the conferring of any part of a degree. The Master has it in his power to order it stopped and to exclude any brother who disobeys because of violation, of the discipline of the lodge.

Dispensations Wanted.

A constitutional number of brethren residing at Algonquin, Ill., have asked for dispensation to form a new lodge at that place. They have

secured the consent of two of the nearest lodges, Nunda Lodge No. 169 having refused to grant the necessary permission. A commission, consisting of C. J. Wightman, of Grays Lake; T. B. Rowlands, of Elgin, and Theo. Hamer, of Woodstock, visited Algonquin, met the petitioners, examined the proposed place of meeting and after due consideration of all attending circumstances reported unanimously in favor of the proposed lodge. I would therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge direct the issuance of a dispensation for the formation of Algonquin Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Algonquin, Illinois.

Twenty brethren residing at Warrensburg, Ill., have petitioned for the formation of a new lodge. They have secured the consent of two of the nearest lodges. Summit Lodge No. 431, the other lodge whose jurisdiction is affected, declined to grant permission. A commission consisting of Albert T. Summers, of Decatur; Harry L. Smith, of Springfield, and Oliver McDaniel, of Buffalo, were appointed to thoroughly investigate all conditions connected with the proposed lodge. The committee visited Warrensburg and after a thorough examination report that they are unanimously of the opinion that it would be for the good of the fraternity and for the best interests of Masonry to grant the dispensation asked for. I therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge direct the issuance of a dispensation for the formation of Warrensburg Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Warrensburg, Illinois.

Decisions.

I have no decisions to report to you. While a great many questions have been submitted to me, yet I have always been able to answer them by reference to our existing laws. One or two matters have arisen to which I desired the approval of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and which having been secured, the same were published and sent to the lodges. It has always been my thought that a decision of a Grand Master is merely an expression of opinion valid during the administration of him who makes it. The next G.M. may hold an entirely different view and set at naught the opinion of his predecessor by an entirely opposite decision. There is too much disposition in this masonic day and age to legislate for the individual lodge and to split a masonic legal hair 'twixt south and south-west side. We have enough law now on our statute books to last us for the next hundred years. What is most desired is an honest interpretation of the laws we already have with a due admixture of common sense in doubtful cases.

The only way to change our law is by amendment and I am of the opinion that any decision I might make would be of no binding effect until incorporated into our laws by due legal process.

Our Ritual.

Perhaps no subject is nearer the heart of the individual Mason than that of the ritual. Each brother very naturally thinks that the ritual of his particular state is far superior to all others, and I glory in his pride

A good many look upon the ritual as something sacred which has been handed down from a dim and misty past and that to change a word, syllable, letter or character would be to invoke the wrath of the gods. This is an idea in which I do not share. Were the Masons of the world working under a universal ritual then there might be some argument in the above opinion, but as a matter of fact each Grand Jurisdiction has its individual rites and ceremonies and the wide diversity between the different states leads to but one conclusion: The modern ritual is but the result of the creative genius of man and the fact that we have so much variance is due to the fact that many different men have had a part in the formulating of our various rituals.

Very early in my administration several thoughtful and intellectual brethren urged me to make certain changes in our ritual by eliminating apparent inconsistencies and correcting other grammatical errors. After due consideration I felt that while there was good reason for making these changes yet they were of such a momentous character that I would not assume the responsibility. I have always doubted the right of any Grand Master to make changes in the ritual even though the custom be supported by precedent. And while I plead guilty to one change, yet I am not satisfied but that I exceeded my authority in making it. I believe it to be a dangerous precedent to vest any Grand Master with power to change the ritual, a right which, in my judgment, belongs to the Grand Lodge alone. As long as this condition exists the advent of a new Grand Master will always be hailed with anxious expectation as to just what part of the ritual he proposes to tinker with.

A good deal of doubt exists as to when the present ritual of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was adopted, if ever. That it has undergone many changes since its promulgation cannot be denied, but there is nothing to show that these changes or improvements have ever been ratified by this Grand Lodge.

Just at the present time there is a vigorous demand for a shorter form of opening and closing. In our larger lodges where a vast amount of work must be done each year there is strong objection to certain portions of the ritual being performed individually and in enforcing the present standard the Grand Master is met with a none too willing compliance.

In view of all that has been stated, and for other reasons which I cannot take up at this time, I recommend that a committee of fifteen

be appointed to determine just what is the ritual of this Grand Jurisdiction and to suggest such changes and grammatical corrections as may seem wise or necessary, with a view, if possible, of eliminating every grammatical error and apparent inconsistency and removing any temptation for future "tinkering." I suggest that the constitution of the committee be substantially as follows: The Grand Master, who shall be chairman; the Board of Grand Examiners, the other nine members to be selected, a part with reference to their knowledge of the ritual and a part with reference to their literary attainments and knowledge of good English. I further recommend that the result of their labors be reported to the Grand Lodge and, if deemed expedient, exemplified in its presence, and if formally adopted to remain henceforth and forever the ritual of this Grand Lodge, subject to change only on the recommendation of the Grand Master and the approval of the Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an Annual Meeting.

Masonic Travesties.

Somewhere, some time, a silly ass trying to be funny at the expense of the traveling salesman wrote a travesty on our Entered Apprentice catechism. It gained quite a ready circulation among a class of Masons because it was the kind of literature with which they were best acquainted, and like the balance of their Masonry, could be easily carried in the pocket. Every little while some lodge member who wants to be cute and who lacks the legitimate means of attracting attention to himself, either by a knowledge of the ritual or the practice of the moral and social virtues, will reprint this detestable travesty, and appending his advertising card, give the whole ready circulation. During the year one brother Mason who possessed some inventive genius, and who had a pique at the mayor of his town, prepared a travesty on the second degree catechism and had it printed in the local paper. I believe that the time has come when all good Masons should join in an active crusade against the circulation of masonic travesties of any kind whatever, and that charges should be preferred against any brother who gives countenance in any way to the dissemination of this senseless jargon. I anticipate that a little discipline along this line will soon stop their circulation and have a wholesome effect.

Intellectual Masonry.

There is no subject connected with our distinguished fraternity in which I am more deeply interested than that of the study side of Freemasonry. No similar organization on the face of the earth can boast of traditions as ancient, of usages and landmarks as universally known, of symbolism so sparkling with brightest jewels of philosophies both

ancient and modern; of a ritual in sentiment as lofty, in diction as eloquent, and so universally spoken. And yet, the institution is but little understood by even its most devoted members.

There are many of us who can recite our ritual from Alpha to Omega without the omission of a word or syllable, unconscious of the fact that behind the play of words lie concealed thoughts and meanings which invite our investigation and well re-pay us for our research. Too many Masons perform their duty like the religious devotee who recites his catechism in mechanical style, and arises from his knees conscious of but one fact—that of a duty performed.

The demand of the hour is not for men who can recite the ritual but for men who know what that ritual means, and who are willing to display its teachings in their daily lives and conduct. I quote from a distinguished writer, "Masonry has no use for a blind, stupid devotion vouchsafed her by wooden men who do not know why they serve her, but what she loves is the intelligent loyalty of thinking men who have a reason for the faith that is in them."

A ritual is merely the vehicle by which we convey to the minds and hearts of men moral precepts and great truths; if it has for its object any other purpose, it is merely sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. Our ritual is an exposition surfeited with excellent maxims of right living. We in Illinois acknowledge no superiors in the matter of ritualistic perfection. In the midst of our present ecstacy of ritualism it might be well to inquire whether our oral moralizing tends to better living or is it merely a revel in fine words and agreeable rhetoric. It is one thing to talk Masonry, but to think it and act it is quite another. There is a vast difference between Masonry of the tongue and Masonry of the deed. The whole trouble with our present system is that it does not teach men to think but to remember. We will never have better Masons until we have more thinking Masons, for the thinker is he who strives to awaken from the dream of life in which the multitude pass a listless existence.

It is a fact that the burden of our lodges is today carried forward by about ten per cent of the membership. The greatest problem which confronts us is how to interest the 90 per cent of dues-paying non-attending members. So long as we offer them nothing but a program of degrees ground out by rule and rote we can hope for little improvement.

I am a supporter of the study side of Masonry and believe that we should exert our best endeavors toward an understanding of our history, traditions and symbolism. Believing such to be a necessary part of the education of every Mason, I arranged with the Board of Grand Exam-

iners for the introduction of two thirty-minute talks at our schools upon the subject of history and symbolism.

While the innovation was not well received by some of our ritualistic brethren, yet I believe that some good was accomplished in bringing about a better understanding of the history of the fraternity as well as stimulating many brethren toward individual masonic study and research.

I would not for one moment advocate the abatement of the diligence exerted toward correctly teaching our ritual, nor would I abandon our present system of schools, but I would urge that means be adopted that will bring to the Masons of Illinois a better understanding of the institution of which they are members. Doubtless this can best be accomplished in the lodges themselves, by the formation of study clubs, the promotion of lectures and addresses by competent brethren, and by reading masonic books. The subject is well worthy of serious thought and I leave it to the earnest consideration of the progressive Masons of this great state.

Conclusion.

One year ago you elected me as your Grand Master and I am deeply grateful to you for the honor bestowed and for the many courtesies and kindnesses shown to me by my brethren of this great commonwealth. While the year has been the busiest of my twenty-two years of my masonic activity, yet it has been one of the happiest. In the closing hours of last Grand Lodge, I stood upon this platform and pledged you to discharge the trust committed to my care to the best of my ability. I told you then that I had but one ambition and that was to be of some small service to the institution of Freemasonry. I am therefore hopeful that whatever service has been rendered will prove of substantial value and that Masonry in Illinois has been benefited by the work of the year. I am conscious that,

> "Honor and fame from no condition rise
> Act well your part and there all honor lies."

The Grand Master also presented a detailed report of the business of his office from October, 1911, to October, 1912, together with official documents and reports of District Deputy Grand Masters and Board of Grand Examiners. It was ordered printed in the Proceedings, and will be found in the Appendix.

REPORT—Grand Treasurer.

The R.W. Grand Treasurer, Leroy A. Goddard, presented his report and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so ordered.

CHICAGO, October 2, 1912.

LEROY A. GODDARD, *Grand Treasurer,*

In account with M.W. Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Illinois.

GENERAL FUND.

DEBIT.

1911.				
Oct.	3.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....		59,624.28
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....$	250.68	
1912.				
Jan.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	107.42	
Feb.	16.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	129.00	
Apr.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	322.75	
May	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	113.00	
June	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	417.64	
Aug.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	38,724.65	
Sept.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	22,549.05	
Sept.	25.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	2,031.65	
				64,645.84
Total				$124,270.12

CREDIT.

1912.			
Oct.	1.	By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith.....$	3,390.10
Oct.	1.	By mileage and per diem paid representatives since last report, as per vouchers returned herewith	16,648.30
Oct.	1.	By miscellaneous orders paid since last report, as per vouchers herewith, numbered 76 to 79 both inclusive; 82 to 95 both inclusive; 98 to 120 both inclusive; 123 to 133 both inclusive; 137 to 153 both inclusive; 156 to 171 both inclusive; 175 to 199 both inclusive; 201, 204 to 218	

		both inclusive; 221 to 230 both inclusive; 233 to 244 both inclusive; 247 to 259 both inclusive; 262 to 275 both inclusive; 278 to 294 both inclusive; 298.....	33,668.93	
Oct.	1.	By vouchers herewith paid salaries of Grand Officers, Nos. 96, 97, 121, 122, 134, 135, 136, 154, 155, 172, 173, 174, 202, 203, 219, 220, 231, 232, 245, 246, 260, 261, 276, 277, 295, 296, 297.....	5,900.00	
				59,607.33
		Balance on hand		64,662.79
				$124,270.12

Charity Fund.

DEBIT.

1911.				
Oct.	3.	Balance on hand, as per last report.....		$ 38,086.03
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	$ 301.25	
1912.				
Feb.	16.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	8.00	
June	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	8.00	
Aug.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	24,627.05	
Sept.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	14,345.10	
Sept.	25.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	1,397.95	
Oct.	2.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	5.00	
				40,692.35
		Total		$78,778.38

CREDIT.

1912.				
Oct.	1.	By vouchers herewith paid since last report, Nos. 80, 81, 86 to 95 both incl.....	40,425.00	
		Balance on hand	38,353.38	
				$78,778.38

Home for the Aged.

DEBIT.

1911.				
Oct.	3.	Balance on hand as per last report.....		$ 320.00
1912.				
Feb.	16.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	140.00	
April	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	20.00	
Aug.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	140.00	
Sept.	25.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y....	20.00	
				$ 640.00

CREDIT.

1912.				
Oct.	1.	By voucher herewith paid since last report, No. 200	$ 52.00	
		Balance on hand	588.00	
				$ 640.00

Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home Fund.

DEBIT.

1911.				
Oct.	3.	Balance on hand as per last report		$ 1,095.00
Nov.	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	$ 50.00	
Dec.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	510.00	
1912.				
Feb.	16.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	111.36	
April	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	220.00	
May	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	60.00	
June	3.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	530.00	
Sept.	4.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	10.00	
Sept.	25.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	520.00	
				2,011.36
		Balance on hand		$ 3,106.36

Masonic Home Fund.

DEBIT.

1912.			
Feb.	16.	From Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Sec'y	$ 5.00

CREDIT.

By voucher herewith paid, No. 299 $ 5.00

In addition to the cash balances reported above, the M.W. Grand Lodge owns the following securities, all of which are now in my possession as Grand Treasurer and deposited in safety vault specifically designated as the property of the M.W. Grand Lodge.

Charity Fund.

Certificate No. 3369, eight shares stock of Masonic Fraternity Temple Association $ 800.00

HOME FOR THE AGED FUND.

Six City of Chicago River Improvement Bonds, due July 1, 1915; interest at 4 percent, due January and July; $1,000 each, numbered 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068 and 1069.....	6,000.00
One City of Chicago Water Loan Bond due July 1, 1915; interest at 4 percent due January and July; No. 388.....	1,000.00
One Wabash R. R. Co. first mortgage 4 percent gold bond, Toledo and Chicago division, due March 1, 1941, interest March and September, numbered 1722.....	1,000.00
	$8,000.00

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Fifteen Registered Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent gold bonds due 1953, $1,000 each, numbered 7133 to 7144 inclusive, 13060, 13086 and 13089; interest due May and November$	15,000.00
Ten County of Cook 4 percent Court House bonds due Sept. 1, 1917, $1,000 each, numbered 2863 to 2872 (both inclusive), coupons, March and September.....	10,000.00
One County of Cook 4 percent Court House bond, due Sept. 1, 1919; No. 3265; coupons March and September.....	1,000.00
Ten Town of North Chicago 4 percent Lincoln Park bonds, due May 1, 1924; $1,000 each; numbered 401 to 410 (both inclusive), coupons May and November.....	10,000.00
Eight Mattoon township, Coles county, Illinois, 4 percent refunding bonds, due 1920, $1,000 each, numbered 30 to 37 (both inclusive); coupons May 1, annually.....	8,000.00
Five Illinois Central R. R. Co. 4 percent Gold Bonds due April 1, 1952; $500 each; numbered 14218, 14219, 14220, 15418, 15592, coupons April and October.....	2,500.00
One U. S. Government 4 percent bond, number 19451, due February 1, 1925, coupons quarterly.....	1,000.00
	$47,500.00

SUMMARY.

Securities on hand, all funds.....$	56,300.00
Cash on hand, all funds	106,710.53
Total assets in treasury.....$	163,010.53

Fraternally submitted,

LEROY A. GODDARD,
Grand Treasurer.

REPORT—Grand Secretary.

The R.W. Grand Secretary, Isaac Cutter, presented his report, together with his cash book and ledger, and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so ordered.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit my annual report:

Orders Drawn.

Orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer at and since the lost Annual Communication for the following amounts:

To Mileage and per diem paid Officers, Committees and Representatives	$20,038.40
H. T. Burnap, expenses Pa.	70.80
R. H. Wheeler, Masonic Relief Association	41.50
H. A. Snell, Pana Corner-stone	3.00
J. M. Willard, Pana Corner-stone	7.88
Owen Scott, Com. on Correspondence	500.00
C. S. Gurney, Grand Tyler	100.00
C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses at Grand Lodge	106.93
Z. T. Griffin, stenographer	50.00
G. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary	25.00
Oriental Consistory, rent	300.00
A. B. Ashley, expenses	44.40
Jas. A. Steele, overdrafts	2,085.46
C. S. Gurney, building LaGrange	1,500.00
C. S. Gurney, furnishings, LaGrange	1,500.00
H. P. Behrensmeyer, charters	52.50
Isaac Cutter, expenses	11.95
W. D. Abney, return to Blazing Star Lodge	6.90
Jas. A. Steele, road tax	10.56
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
S. S. Borden, expenses, Quincy	12.52
C. L. Gregory, expenses, Quincy	5.35
R. H. Wheeler, expenses, Quincy	12.52
A. H. Scrogin, expenses, Quincy	8.01
C. T. Holmes, expenses, Quincy	4.00
Anthony Doherty, expenses, Sandoval	3.18

A. E. Wood, expenses, Quincy	10.62
J. E. Jeffers, expenses, Quincy	9.06
J. M. Hannum, expenses, Quincy	9.40
E. E. Beach, expenses, Quincy	15.52
L. Caywood, expenses, Pearl	4.00
H. T. Burnap, expenses, Pearl	4.00
H. T. Burnap, expenses, Quincy	9.65
D. D. Darrah, expenses	38.36
Isaac Cutter, expenses	89.69
Panatgraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	472.91
C. S. Gurney, expenses constituting Cook County Lodges...	101.13
D. D. Darrah, covers for Commissions	84.50
H. T. Burnap, expenses, Granite City	3.95
C. S. Gurney, expenses, Tuscola	15.47
Truman P. Carter, expenses, Ashland	1.30
John H. Griffiths, expenses, Batavia	3.50
Jas. McCredie, expenses, Batavia	5.75
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
C. N. Hambleton, expenses, Kell	3.44
F. H. Bradley, expenses, Manlius	7.00
L. W. Morton, expenses, Table Grove	2.69
D. D. Darrah, expenses	68.66
Elmer T. Selby, printing	43.50
Isaac Cutter, expenses	93.68
E. E. B. Sawyer, insurance	50.80
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	3,044.32
Special train, Chicago to LaGrange	136.50
C. S. Gurney, expenses, Bellflower	13.00
Rod case for Grand Examiners	15.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100.00
Steamer trunk	12.50
Geo. M. Moulton, stock, etc., at Sullivan	3,600.00
H. P. Behrensmeyer, filling charters	5.00
Isaac Cutter, expenses	49.82
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	1,115.37
D. D. Darrah, expenses	60.26
J. M. Hannum, school at Mattoon	48.90
J. E. Jeffers, school at Mattoon	43.85
E. E. Beach, school at Mattoon	53.10
A. E. Wood, school at Mattoon	44.50

C. L. Gregory, school at Mattoon	58.90
F. H. Bradley, expenses, Manlius	3.00
T. S. Browning, expenses, Akin	2.95
D. G. Fitzgerrel, expenses, Akin	3.25
C. J. Wightman, expenses, Algonquin	5.42
Theo. Hamer, expenses, Algonquin	2.00
T. B. Rowlands, expenses, Algonquin	6.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
Deep and Soft water supply at LaGrange	1,300.00
J. M. Hannum, school at East St. Louis	45.00
J. E. Jeffers, school at East St. Louis	46.42
E. E. Beach, school at East St. Louis	53.10
A. E. Wood, school at East St. Louis	42.00
C. L. Gregory, school at East St. Louis	48.50
J. E. Jeffers, express, school at East St. Louis	2.40
Isaac Cutter, expenses	98.22
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	42.06
Articles for Grand Examiners	147.55
D. D. Darrah, expenses	70.36
J. M. Hannum, school at Danville	37.70
J. E. Jeffers, school at Danville	39.38
E. E. Beach, school at Danville	37.30
A. E. Wood, school at Danville	31.10
C. L. Gregory, school at Danville	46.70
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
L. A. Goddard, salary	100.00
J. M. Hannum, school at Ottawa	27.80
J. E. Jeffers, school at Ottawa	46.90
E. E. Beach, school at Ottawa	33.50
A. E. Wood, school at Ottawa	32.30
C. L. Gregory, school at Ottawa	36.90
C. O. Faught, expenses, Mayo	3.78
Court costs	100.00
J. W. Bundy, taxes Sullivan	95.96
M. B. Iott, expenses Lincoln	10.08
C. S. Gurney, expenses Lincoln	11.33
Edward Cook, expenses Ottawa	8.84
D. D. Darrah, expenses	79.74
Seal for Grand Secretary	10.00
E. T. Selby, printing	15.00
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	969.28

Isaac Cutter, expenses	104.55
J. M. Hannum, school at Peoria	34.20
J. E. Jeffers, school at Peoria	54.10
E. E. Beach, school at Peoria	39.50
A. E. Wood, school at Peoria	32.60
C. L. Gregory, school at Peoria	34.00
Edward Cook, expenses Peoria	14.85
Wm. E. Edwards, expenses Peoria and Ottawa	24.40
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Ogden	19.39
A. B. Ashley, expenses Alexandria	68.75
A. T. Summers, expenses Bethany	3.16
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
M. T. Booth, expenses Moline	4.97
J. M. Hannum, expenses Centralia	33.20
H. P. Behrensmeyer, charter	2.50
D. D. Darrah, expenses	69.05
Isaac Cutter, expenses	57.87
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	89.46
A. E. Wood, expenses Chicago	31.30
C. L. Gregory, expenses Chicago	40.10
J. E. Jeffers, expenses Chicago	35.80
E. E. Beach, expenses Centralia	40.10
E. T. Pearce, old proceedings	25.00
E. E. Beach, expenses Belvidere	5.57
Grand Lodge aprons	149.50
C. W. Leverenz, expenses Belvidere	20.72
Washington Memorial Association	100.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
M. B. Iott, Sundry expenses	27.50
C. S. Gurney, repairs Sullivan	2,900.00
C. S. Gurney, deep well Sullivan	2,500.00
C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses	30.35
M. B. Iott, expenses Auditorium hall	5.00
H. T. Burnap, expenses Jacksonville	4.00
Roundy Regalia Company, jewels	52.50
D. D. Darrah, expenses	52.98
Isaac Cutter, expenses	90.37
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	419.58
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.33
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
H. T. Burnap, expenses Lovington	12.84

Remington Typewriter Co., for Grand Master	4.70
N. M. Mesnard, expenses Lovington	3.00
E. T. Selby, printing	24.25
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	25.71
D. D. Darrah, expenses	56.38
Isaac Cutter, expenses	46.21
C. L. Gregory, expenses Bloomington	23.50
J. M. Hannum, expenses Bloomington	15.60
M. B. Iott, expenses Mt. Carmel	21.46
C. S. Gurney, expenses Mt. Carmel	22.71
A. E. Wood, examining candidates	13.50
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses Shelbyville	20.31
M. B. Iott, expenses Shelbyville	16.81
L. C. Johnson, expenses Chicago	8.56
W. E. Fitch, expenses Chicago	5.64
A. H. Bell, expenses Chicago	14.00
C. S. Gurney, deep well LaGrange	2,500.00
C. S. Gurney, taxes LaGrange	1,186.51
H. T. Burnap, expenses Shelbyville & Sullivan	13.25
E. J. Cowling, expenses Temple Hill and Olmstead	7.00
D. D. Darrah, expenses	53.30
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	1,170.46
Isaac Cutter, expenses	53.92
I. A. Foster, expenses Broughton	4.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
D. E. Farr, expenses Seaton and Oquawka	8.85
C. S. Gurney, expenses Virginia	24.30
M. B. Iott, expenses Virginia	20.93
I. A. Foster, expenses Dahlgren	2.40
W. Davis, expenses Dahlgren	.60
T. S. Browning, expenses Dahlgren	2.28
L. Caywood, expenses Granite City	5.00
C. S. Gurney, expenses Jefferson Park	9.35
D. D. Darrah, expenses	33.75
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	427.20
H. P. Behrensmeyer, charter	2.50
Isaac Cutter, expenses	55.63
W. D. Engle, Masonic Relief Association	540.34
H. T. Burnap, expenses Caledonia	7.40

D. D. Darrah, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
Roundy Regalia Co., sundries	9.00
D. D. Darrah, expenses	50.54
Isaac Cutter, expenses	29.52
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	19.00
E. M. Crain, expenses Brooklyn	2.50
H. T. Burnap, expenses Collinsville and LaGrange	19.13
Owen Scott, expenses LaGrange	9.72
W. P. Jones, expenses Cerro Gordo	3.25
C. S. Gurney, expenses	59.34
M. B. Iott, expenses Champaign and Mattoon	28.54
D. D. Darrah, expenses	38.00
A. T. Summers, expenses	.51
H. L. Smith, expenses	1.80
Oliver McDaniel, expenses	.96
E. T. Selby, printing	78.00
Pantagraph Ptg. & Sta. Co., printing	56.75
Isaac Cutter, expenses	42.45
L. A. Goddard, salary	200.00
D. D. Darrah, salary	208.34
Isaac Cutter, salary	250.00
L. L. Emerson, expenses Com. United Charities	34.88
	$59,607.33

CHARITY FUND.

Mrs. Andrew Orme	$ 25.00
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Maintenance Illinois Masonic Home	6,000.00
Maintenance I.M.O.H.	4,000.00
Mrs. Margaret Chamberlain	200.00
Maintenance I.M.O.H.	8,000.00
Maintenance Illinois Masonic Home	12,000.00
Wm. Wilhartz (for the use of a worthy brother)	100.00
Maintenance I.M.O.H.	4,000.00
Maintenance Illinois Masonic Home	6,000.00
Everett L. Werts for C. W. Orahood	50.00
	$40,425.00

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

Returned to heirs of John G. Clozier	$ 52.00

GRAND SECRETARY'S ACCOUNT

Isaac Cutter Grand Secretary, in account with the M. W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, A. F. & A. M. To Lodge Dues for the year 1912.

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Bodley	1	$ 261 90	Whitehall	80	$ 87 30
Equality	2	39 60	Vitruvius	81	70 20
Harmony	3	218 70	DeWitt	84	164 70
Springfield	4	221 40	Mitchell	85	102 60
Friendship	7	208 80	Kaskaskia	86	29 70
Macon	8	581 40	Mt. Pulaski	87	75 60
Rushville	9	87 30	Havana	88	102 60
St. Johns	13	109 80	Fellowship	89	113 40
Warren	14	56 70	Jerusalem Temple	90	261 00
Peoria	15	533 70	Metropolis	91	99 90
Temperance	16	80 10	Stewart	92	129 60
Macomb	17	172 80	Toulon	93	79 20
Clinton	19	166 50	Perry	95	59 40
Hancock	20	143 10	Samuel H. Davis	96	71 10
Cass	23	164 70	Excelsior	97	347 40
St. Clair	24	152 10	Taylor	98	84 60
Franklin	25	81 90	Edwardsville	99	125 10
Piasa	27	161 10	Astoria	100	73 80
Pekin	29	114 30	Rockford	102	368 10
Mt. Vernon	31	163 80	Magnolia	103	72 90
Oriental	33	486 00	Lewistown	104	86 40
Barry	34	107 10	Winchester	105	59 40
Charleston	35	179 10	Lancaster	106	96 30
Kavanaugh	36	54 90	Versailles	108	49 50
Monmouth	37	165 60	Trenton	109	47 70
Olive Branch	38	410 40	Lebanon	110	46 80
Herman	39	122 40	Jonesboro	111	63 30
Occidental	40	239 40	Robert Burns	113	94 50
Mt. Joliet	42	393 30	Marcelline	114	48 60
Bloomington	43	324 00	Rising Sun	115	83 70
Hardin	44	106 20	Vermont	116	45 00
Griggsville	45	63 00	Elgin	117	346 50
Temple	46	825 30	Waverly	118	84 60
Caledonia	47	41 40	Henry	119	73 80
Unity	48	93 60	Mound	122	144 90
Cambridge	49	78 30	Oquawka	123	45 90
Carrollton	50	137 70	Cedar	124	147 60
Mt. Moriah	51	121 50	Greenup	125	54 90
Benevolent	52	57 60	Empire	126	114 30
Jackson	53	143 10	Antioch	127	72 90
Washington	55	63 90	Raleigh	128	50 40
Trio	57	268 20	Greenfield	129	73 80
Fraternal	58	100 80	Marion	130	142 20
New Boston	59	85 50	Golconda	131	78 30
Belvidere	60	262 80	Mackinaw	132	49 50
Lacon	61	76 50	Marshall	133	104 40
St. Marks	63	115 20	Sycamore	134	162 00
Benton	64	104 40	Lima	135	52 20
Euclid	65	103 50	Hutsonville	136	29 70
Pacific	66	57 60	Polk	137	92 70
Acacia	67	144 00	Marengo	138	78 30
Eureka	69	58 50	Geneva	139	78 30
Central	71	252 90	Olney	140	104 40
Chester	72	57 60	Garden City	141	1296 00
Rockton	74	92 70	Ames	142	61 20
Roscoe	75	76 50	Richmond	143	63 90
Mt. Nebo	76	108 90	DeKalb	144	156 60
Prairie	77	266 40	A. W. Rawson	145	66 60
Waukegan	78	371 70	Lee Center	146	54 90
Scott	79	63 00	Clayton	147	67 50

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Bloomfield	148	$ 130 50	Geo. Washington	222	$ 117 90
Effingham	149	86 40	Pana	226	205 20
Vienna	150	79 20	Columbus	227	24 30
Bunker Hill	151	78 30	Lovington	228	89 10
Fidelity	152	49 50	Manchester	229	54 00
Clay	153	79 20	New Haven	230	64 80
Russell	154	80 10	Wyanet	231	41 40
Alpha	155	171 00	Farmers	232	60 30
Delavan	156	88 20	Blandinsville	233	93 60
Urbana	157	330 30	DuQuoin	234	109 80
McHenry	158	79 20	Dallas City	235	80 10
Kewanee	159	181 80	Charter Oak	236	82 80
Waubansia	160	343 80	Cairo	237	191 70
Virden	161	110 70	Black Hawk	238	63 90
Hope	162	88 20	Mt. Carmel	239	173 70
Edward Dobbins	164	107 10	Western Star	240	369 00
Atlanta	165	79 20	Shekinah	241	168 30
Star in the East	166	442 80	Galva	243	119 70
Milford	168	75 60	Horicon	244	108 90
Nunda	169	75 60	Greenville	245	109 80
Evergreen	170	177 30	El Paso	246	119 70
Girard	171	91 80	Rob Morris	247	67 50
Wayne	172	47 70	Golden Gate	248	59 40
Cherry Valley	173	55 80	Hibbard	249	39 60
Lena	174	62 10	Robinson	250	128 70
Matteson	175	367 20	Heyworth	251	96 30
Mendota	176	81 90	Aledo	252	126 00
Staunton	177	160 20	Avon Harmony	253	44 10
Illinois Central	178	104 40	Aurora	254	320 40
Wabash	179	36 90	Donnelson	255	39 60
Moweaqua	180	75 60	Warsaw	257	57 60
Germania	182	315 90	Mattoon	260	270 00
Meridian	183	53 10	Amon	261	38 70
Abingdon	185	80 10	Channahon	262	35 10
Mystic Tie	187	71 10	Illinois	263	386 10
Cyrus	188	90 00	Franklin Grove	264	26 10
Fulton City	189	71 10	Vermilion	265	46 80
Dundee	190	156 60	Kingston	266	50 40
Farmington	192	108 00	La Prairie	267	43 20
Herrick	193	29 70	Paris	268	192 60
Freedom	194	44 10	Wheaton	269	123 30
La Harpe	195	129 60	Levi Lusk	270	24 30
Louisville	196	65 70	Blaney	271	265 50
King Solomon's	197	53 10	Carmi	272	70 20
Homer	199	89 10	Miners	273	151 20
Sheba	200	52 20	Byron	274	70 20
Centralia	201	195 30	Milton	275	37 80
Lavely	203	72 00	Elizabeth	276	21 60
Flora	204	81 00	Accordia	277	171 00
Corinthian	205	54 00	Jo Daviess	278	132 30
Fairfield	206	116 10	Neoga	279	97 20
Tamaroa	207	52 20	Kansas	280	68 40
Wilmington	208	90 90	Brooklyn	282	61 20
Wm. B. Warren	209	459 00	Meteor	283	93 60
Logan	210	171 00	Catlin	285	96 30
Cleveland	211	664 20	Plymouth	286	55 80
Shipman	212	50 40	De Soto	287	114 30
Ipava	213	76 50	Genoa	288	92 70
Gillespie	214	81 90	Wataga	291	34 20
Newton	216	82 80	Chenoa	292	91 80
Mason	217	47 70	Prophetstown	293	65 70
New Salem	218	35 10	Pontiac	294	170 10
Oakland	219	108 90	Dills	295	33 30
Mahomet	220	54 90	Quincy	296	182 70
Leroy	221	72 00	Benjamin	297	104 40

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Wauconda	298	$ 47 70	Liberty	380	$ 34 20
Hinckley	301	81 90	Gill	382	27 90
Durand	302	56 70	LaMoille	383	56 70
Raven	303	45 90	Waltham	384	56 70
Onarga	305	69 30	Mississippi	385	158 40
W. C. Hobbs	306	79 20	Bridgeport	386	109 80
T. J. Pickett	307	98 10	El Dara	388	38 70
Ashlar	308	652 50	Kankakee	389	248 40
Harvard	309	153 00	Ashmore	390	60 30
Dearborn	310	689 40	Tolono	391	87 30
Kilwinning	311	634 50	Oconee	392	43 20
Ionic	312	454 50	Blair	393	515 70
York	313	72 00	Jerseyville	394	104 40
Palatine	314	87 30	Muddy Point	396	31 50
Abraham Jonas	316	37 80	Shiloh	397	38 70
J. L. Anderson	318	89 10	Kinmundy	398	93 60
Doric	319	300 60	Buda	399	42 30
Creston	320	47 70	Odell	401	50 40
Dunlap	321	97 20	Kishwaukee	402	45 00
Windsor	322	67 50	Mason City	403	109 80
Orient	323	29 70	Batavia	404	106 20
Harrisburg	325	153 90	Ramsey	405	62 10
Industry	327	53 10	Bethalto	406	27 00
Altona	330	47 70	Stratton	408	62 10
Mt. Erie	331	33 30	Thos. J. Turner	409	404 10
Tuscola	332	117 90	Mithra	410	153 90
Tyrian	333	210 60	Hesperia	411	629 10
Sumner	334	93 60	Bollen	412	22 50
Schiller	335	124 20	Evening Star	414	35 10
New Columbia	336	67 50	Lawn Ridge	415	40 50
Oneida	337	62 10	Paxton	416	97 20
Saline	339	50 40	Marseilles	417	112 50
Kedron	340	47 70	Freeburg	418	38 70
Full Moon	341	59 40	Reynoldsburg	419	27 90
Sumnerfield	342	21 60	Oregon	420	147 60
Wenona	344	45 90	Washburn	421	60 30
Milledgeville	345	88 20	Landmark	422	514 80
N. D. Morse	346	35 10	Lanark	423	63 00
Sidney	347	47 70	Exeter	424	30 60
Flat Rock	348	55 80	Scottville	426	69 30
Sublette	349	26 10	Red Bud	427	29 70
Fairview	350	54 00	Sunbeam	428	81 00
Tarbolton	351	125 10	Chebanse	429	43 20
Groveland	352	36 90	Kendrick	430	47 70
Kinderhook	353	40 50	Summit	431	75 60
Ark and Anchor	354	70 20	Murrayville	432	54 00
Marine	355	40 50	Annawan	433	62 10
Hermitage	356	68 40	Makanda	434	57 60
Orion	358	33 30	Philo	436	62 10
Blackberry	359	81 90	Chicago	437	518 40
Princeville	360	78 30	Camargo	440	53 10
Douglas	361	43 20	Sparland	441	41 40
Noble	362	45 90	Casey	442	85 50
Horeb	363	83 70	Hampshire	443	82 80
Tonica	364	57 60	Cave-in-Rock	444	44 10
Bement	365	89 10	Chesterfield	445	42 30
Arcola	366	122 40	Watseka	446	126 00
Oxford	367	52 20	S. D. Monroe	447	38 70
Jefferson	368	38 70	Yates City	448	57 60
Newman	369	87 30	Mendon	449	54 00
Livingston	371	85 50	Loami	450	62 10
Chambersburg	373	18 90	Bromwell	451	63 90
Shabbona	374	64 80	New Hartford	453	36 00
Aroma	378	44 10	Maroa	454	100 80
Payson	379	79 20	Irving	455	49 50

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Nokomis	456	$ 105 30	Ashton	531	$ 69 30
Blazing Star	458	36 90	Seneca	532	46 80
Jeffersonville	460	40 50	Altamont	533	43 20
Plainview	461	33 30	Cuba	534	67 50
Tremont	462	37 80	Sherman	535	58 50
Palmyra	463	68 40	Plainfield	536	110 70
Denver	464	38 70	J. R. Gorin	537	47 70
Huntsville	465	34 20	Lockport	538	115 20
Cobden	466	55 80	Chatsworth	539	36 90
South Macon	467	90 00	Oak Park	540	547 20
Cheney's Grove	468	48 60	Stewardson	541	19 80
McLean	469	83 70	Towanda	542	29 70
Rantoul	470	77 40	Cordova	543	21 60
Kendall	471	83 70	Virginia	544	90 00
Amity	472	120 60	Valley	547	52 20
Gordon	473	38 70	Sharon	550	66 60
Columbia	474	49 50	Long Point	552	22 50
Walshville	475	9 90	Plum River	554	129 60
Manito	476	37 80	Humboldt	555	141 30
Rutland	477	58 50	Dawson	556	44 10
Pleiades	478	810 00	Lessing	557	205 20
Wyoming	479	94 50	Leland	558	42 30
Momence	481	180 00	Thomson	559	27 90
Lexington	482	61 20	Madison	560	30 60
Edgewood	484	49 50	Trinity	562	103 50
Xenia	485	33 30	Winslow	564	48 60
Bowen	486	61 20	Pleasant Hill	565	32 40
Andrew Jackson	487	23 40	Albany	566	72 00
Clay City	488	78 30	Frankfort	567	58 50
Cooper	489	48 60	Time	569	27 00
Shannon	490	59 40	Jacksonville	570	153 90
Martin	491	29 70	Bardolph	572	31 50
Libertyville	492	140 40	Gardner	573	87 30
Tower Hill	493	57 60	Pera	574	40 50
Stone Fort	495	66 60	Capron	575	73 80
Colchester	496	74 70	O'Fallon	576	57 60
Alma	497	61 20	Viola	577	58 50
Murphysboro	498	134 10	Prairie City	578	36 00
St. Paul	500	273 60	Hazel Dell	580	35 10
Stark	501	37 80	Dongola	581	43 20
Woodhull	502	51 30	Shirley	582	46 80
Odin	503	40 50	Highland	583	57 60
East St. Louis	504	321 30	Vesper	584	185 40
Meridian Sun	505	84 60	Fisher	585	31 50
O. H. Miner	506	58 50	Princeton	587	176 40
Home	508	468 00	Troy	588	29 70
Parkersburg	509	28 80	Fairmount	590	61 20
J. D. Moody	510	26 10	Gilman	591	84 60
Wade-Barney	512	260 10	Fieldon	592	25 20
Bradford	514	41 40	Miles Hart	595	52 20
Andalusia	516	67 50	Cerro Gordo	600	98 10
Litchfield	517	81 90	Farina	601	51 30
Abraham Lincoln	518	68 40	Watson	602	31 50
Roseville	519	61 20	Clark	603	117 90
Anna	520	111 60	Hebron	604	69 30
Illiopolis	521	71 10	Streator	607	228 60
Monitor	522	388 80	Piper	608	72 90
Chatham	523	67 50	Sheldon	609	89 10
Evans	524	418 50	Union Park	610	963 00
Covenant	526	873 90	Lincoln Park	611	609 30
Rossville	527	115 20	Rock River	612	234 90
Minooka	528	52 20	Patoka	613	60 30
Adams	529	29 70	Forrest	614	68 40
Maquon	530	40 50	Wadley	616	58 50

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Good Hope	617	$ 59 40	Ewing	705	$ 33 30
Basco	618	16 20	Joppa	706	78 30
New Hope	620	22 50	Star	709	162 90
Hopedale	622	54 00	Farmer City	710	72 90
Locust	623	27 00	Providence	711	235 80
Union	627	30 60	Collinsville	712	103 50
Tuscan	630	62 10	Johnsonville	713	63 90
Norton	631	47 70	Newtown	714	70 20
Ridge Farm	632	87 30	Elvaston	715	24 30
E. F. W. Ellis	633	176 40	Calumet	716	269 10
Buckley	634	23 40	Arcana	717	631 80
Rochester	635	44 10	May	718	29 70
Peotone	636	79 20	Chapel Hill	719	27 00
Keystone	639	493 20	Rome	721	36 00
Comet	641	65 70	Walnut	722	90 00
Apollo	642	553 50	Omaha	723	30 60
D. C. Cregier	643	589 50	Chandlerville	724	80 10
Oblong City	644	104 40	Rankin	725	62 10
San Jose	645	30 60	Golden Rule	726	818 10
Somonauk	646	91 80	Raritan	727	31 50
Blueville	647	71 10	Waterman	728	30 60
Camden	648	63 90	Lake Creek	729	70 20
Atwood	651	77 40	Eldorado	730	81 00
Greenview	653	79 20	Harbor	731	423 90
Yorktown	655	84 60	Carman	732	23 40
Mozart	656	80 10	Gibson	733	118 80
Lafayette	657	23 40	Morning Star	734	236 70
Rock Island	658	254 70	Sheridan	735	74 70
Lambert	659	273 60	Arrowsmith	737	34 20
Grand Chain	660	27 00	Saunemin	738	64 80
South Park	662	366 30	Lakeside	739	369 90
Mayo	664	39 60	New Holland	741	27 00
Beecher City	665	31 50	Danvers	742	51 30
Crawford	666	64 80	Scott Land	743	37 80
Erie	667	45 00	Goode	744	79 20
Burnt Prairie	668	52 20	Winnebago	745	52 20
Herder	669	252 00	Weldon	746	51 30
Fillmore	670	60 30	Centennial	747	50 40
Eddyville	672	27 00	Alta	748	65 70
Normal	673	82 80	Akin	749	63 00
Waldeck	674	268 20	Lyndon	750	44 10
Pawnee	675	115 20	Lounsbury	751	74 70
A. O. Fay	676	268 20	Allendale	752	36 90
Enfield	677	66 60	Ogden	754	119 70
Buffalo Prairie	679	88 20	Pre-emption	755	70 20
Clement	680	57 60	Hardinsville	756	86 40
Morrisonville	681	73 80	Verona	757	63 00
Blue Mound	682	88 20	Mystic Star	758	766 80
Burnside	683	71 10	Orel	759	66 60
Galatia	684	47 70	Sibley	761	40 50
Rio	685	83 70	Van Meter	762	84 60
Garfield	686	808 20	Crete	763	70 20
Orangeville	687	54 00	Sullivan	764	162 90
Clifton	688	55 80	Palace	765	302 40
Englewood	690	841 50	Littleton	766	24 30
Iola	691	24 30	Triluminar	767	385 20
Raymond	692	59 40	Mizpah	768	543 60
Herrin's Prairie	693	152 10	St. Elmo	769	74 70
Shiloh Hill	695	33 30	LaGrange	770	255 60
Belle Rive	696	48 60	Bay City	771	19 80
Richard Cole	697	475 20	New Burnside	772	26 10
Hutton	698	46 80	Mansfield	773	43 20
Pleasant Plains	700	60 30	Lake View	774	693 00
Temple Hill	701	30 60	Grand Crossing	776	439 20
Alexandria	702	73 80	Ravenswood	777	488 70
Braidwood	704	204 30	Gurney	778	44 60

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Wright's Grove	779	$ 479 70	Stronghurst	847	$ 45 00
Siloam	780	471 60	London	848	38 70
Potomac	782	73 80	Palestine	849	72 00
Constantia	783	274 50	Austin	850	593 00
Beacon Light	784	146 70	Chicago Heights	851	182 70
Riverton Union	786	81 90	Gothic	852	254 70
Morris	787	81 90	Latham	853	55 80
Lerna	788	48 60	Brighton Park	854	230 40
Auburn Park	789	477 00	King Oscar	855	504 90
Pittsfield	790	103 50	West Gate	856	38 70
Broadlands	791	68 40	Boyd D	857	67 50
Calhoun	792	38 70	Utica	858	28 80
A. T. Darrah	793	40 50	Apple River	859	45 00
Tadmor	794	23 40	Metropolitan	860	432 90
Myrtle	795	324 00	Sorento	861	11 70
E. M. Husted	796	77 40	Riverside	862	101 70
Normal Park	797	624 60	St. Andrews	863	386 10
Sidell	798	59 40	Olympia	864	438 30
Colfax	799	62 10	St. Cecilia	865	245 20
Kenwood	800	681 30	West Salem	866	49 50
Sangamon	801	46 80	Chadwick	867	60 30
Williamson	802	99 90	Cornell	868	22 50
Neponset	803	45 00	Maywood	869	235 80
Kensington	804	290 70	Lostant	870	45 90
S. M. Dalzell	805	121 50	Argenta	871	55 80
Nebo	806	48 60	Free Will	872	48 60
Royal	807	40 50	Standard	873	450 00
Cornland	808	61 20	Nifong	874	33 30
Gillham	809	36 00	Cornerstone	875	239 40
Tracy	810	194 40	William McKinley	876	297 90
Melvin	811	54 90	Granite City	877	117 00
DeLand	812	26 10	Equity	878	398 70
Humboldt Park	813	576 90	Composite	879	239 40
Ohio	814	18 00	John B. Sherman	880	300 60
Lawn	815	198 00	Marissa	881	47 70
Ridgway	816	40 50	Boulevard	882	499 50
Creal Springs	817	72 90	Wheeler	883	24 30
Ben Hur	818	360 00	Bethany	884	57 60
Columbian	819	441 90	Villa Grove	885	78 30
Henderson	820	58 50	Hooppole	886	17 10
New Canton	821	60 30	Pyramid	887	54 00
Belknap	822	65 70	Damascus	888	191 40
Pearl	823	54 00	America	889	339 30
Grove	824	166 50	Des Plaines	890	101 70
Arthur	825	74 70	Logan Square	891	311 40
Mazon	826	82 80	Constellation	892	328 50
Sequoit	827	65 70	Loraine	893	44 10
Edgar	829	69 30	Utopia	894	162 90
Rockport	830	56 70	Crescent	895	318 60
Findlay	831	76 50	Kosmos	896	203 40
Harvey	832	197 10	Ogden Park	897	248 40
Dean	833	34 20	Silvis	898	90 00
Toledo	834	73 80	Park Manor	899	262 80
Triple	835	73 80	Carnation	900	199 80
Windsor Park	836	217 50	Edgewater	901	293 40
Hindsboro	837	90 90	Alo	902	29 70
Charity	838	38 70	Elkhart	903	43 20
Berwyn	839	176 40	Carlock	904	43 20
Alto Pass	840	44 10	Hanover	905	36 90
Woodlawn Park	841	563 40	Coffeen	906	23 40
Fides	842	175 50	Ancient Craft	907	222 30
Park	843	386 10	Gil. W. Barnard	908	100 80
Martonton	845	41 40	Bee Hive	909	144 00
Bluffs	846	41 40	Hull	910	46 80

LODGE DUES FOR THE YEAR 1912.—*Continued.*

LODGES.	NO.	DUES.	LODGES.	NO.	DUES.
Bellflower	911	$ 33 30	Wilmette	931	$175 50
Stellar	912	29 60	Sandoval	932	47 70
Aaron	913	133 20	Manlius	933	29 70
Republic	914	120 60	Hinsdale	934	100 80
Jackson Park	915	128 70	LaMoine	935	21 60
Welcome	916	189 90	Rock Falls	936	62 10
Concord	917	132 30	North Shore	937	272 70
Sesser	918	31 50	Circle	938	77 40
Elwood	919	36 00	Table Grove	939	36 90
Cottonwood	920	27 00	Pearl	940	25 20
Avondale	921	152 10	Elmhurst	941	74 70
Compass	922	101 70	Maple Park	942	27 90
East Gate	923	256 50	Bohemia	943	128 70
Banner Blue	924	165 60	John Corson Smith	944	76 50
Molenna	925	36 90	Buffalo	945	23 40
Veritas	926	324 00	Joy	946	44 10
Candida	927	126 00	Kenmore	947	44 10
Grant Park	928	27 90	R. F. Casey	948	22 50
Ashland	929	29 70	Justice	949	96 30
Joseph Robbins	930	55 80			

Dues Preceding Years.

Lodge No.	Amount.	Lodge No.	Amount.
7	$ 0.90	455	.90
31	.90	482	.90
59	24.30	496	.90
90	.90	503	.90
153	.90	514	.90
160	1.80	517	.90
162	.90	603	2.70
170	4.50	672	.90
195	.90	685	2.70
214	1.80	688	.90
217	2.70	693	.90
231	.90	701	2.70
236	.90	709	.90
241	.90	723	.90
245	.90	730	7.20
302	.90	745	.90
321	.90	749	4.50
336	1.80	759	1.80
386	.90	768	.90
445	2.70	782	2.70
447	2.70	792	.90
448	.90	805	.90

Lodge No.	Amount.	Lodge No.	Amount.
823	.90	899	.90
829	.90	Rock Falls, U.D.	12.60
851	1.80		1.80
853	.90		
882	1.80		$115.20

DUES FROM LODGES, U.D.

Donovan	$ 28.80
De Pue	12.60
Glen Ellyn	33.30
Stone Arch	9.00
Progressive	43.20
Cicero	13.50
Washington Park	36.00
Prospect	16.20
Total	$192.60

DISPENSATION FEES LODGES U.D.

Donovan	$100.00
De Pue	100.00
Glen Ellyn	100.00
Stone Arch	100.00
Progressive	100.00
Cicero	100.00
Washington Park	100.00
Prospect	100.00
Total	$800.00

RECAPITULATION.

GENERAL FUND.

Blue Books	$ 11.35
Ceremonials	10.89
Dispensations Lodges U.D.	800.00
Dispensations Darrah	156.00
Dues Lodges U.D.	117.70
Dues preceding years	70.40
Balance Blazing Star Lodge	6.90

Proceeds Home Farm	230.33
Returned mileage E.E.B.	1.42
Dues 1912	63,240.65
	$64,645.84

CHARITY FUND.

Unexpended balances	$ 294.60
Dividend Temple stock	24.00
Transferred from Illinois Masonic Home Fund	5.00
Dues from Lodges U.D.	74.90
Dues preceding years	44.80
Dues 1912	40,244.05
	$40,687.35

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

Interest Illinois Central bonds	$ 700.00
Interest U. S. bonds	40.00
Interest North Chicago bonds	400.00
Interest City of Chicago bonds	220.00
Interest City of Mattoon bonds	320.00
Interest Cook County bonds	220.00
Refund special taxes	106.36
Donation	5.00
	$2,011.36

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

Interest City of Chicago bonds	$ 280.00
Interest Wabash R. R. bonds	40.00
	$320.00

REPORT—Committee on Correspondence.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the report of the Committee on Correspondence. It was ordered printed in the Proceedings. (See Appendix, Part 1.)

REPORT—Committee on Grand Master's Address.

Bro. Arthur M. Otman, chairman of the Committee on Grand Master's Address, presented the report of this committee. On motion, it was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:

We, your Committee on Grand Master's Address, respectfully report as follows:

We congratulate the Grand Lodge and the brethren of Illinois on the very able and efficient manner in which the affairs of the Grand Lodge of Illinois have been conducted in the past year by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, as shown in his address presented to this committee and we join with him in the statement that "We have just cause for congratulation upon the progress we have made. The year has been fraught with splendid achievement and greater uplift." Much, if not all of which, we consider is due to the earnest and painstaking efforts of our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Under the heading, "State of the Fraternity," is presented a statement showing the phenomenal growth of our beloved order, and we heartily agree with him that "none can estimate the power for good of this great body of men standing shoulder to shoulder in a righteous cause." This part of the said address is hereby referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

We congratulate the Grand Lodge on the fact that no Past Grand Officer of this Grand Lodge has passed to his eternal rest during the year, and reverently refer the matter of our fraternal dead to the Committee on Obituaries.

We recommend that so much of the address as refers to foreign relations be approved.

On that part of the address relating to District Deputy Grand Masters, this committee heartily commends the action of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in his efforts to make the position of the District Deputy Grand Master useful and beneficial to this Grand Lodge and to the craft in general.

The reports of the several District Deputy Grand Masters attached to the address demonstrates the results obtained from the action of the Grand Master and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges for such action as is required.

This Committee recommends that that part of the address relating to Constituted Lodges be approved.

This Committee commends the action of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in appointing a committee to investigate and report before issuing dispensations for the formation of new lodges and we recommend that the practice instituted by him be continued in the future and that such part of the address as refers to lodges instituted, be approved.

That so much of the address as refers to the matter of dedication, be approved.

That so much of the address as refers to the laying of corner stones and the actions of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in reference thereto, be approved.

This Committee heartily concurs in every respect in the action taken on dispensations. We believe that the Most Worshipful Grand Master has used much wisdom and excellent foresight in refusing the dispensations mentioned and desire especially to commend his action in showing that Masonry is of no light and trifling character; that all his actions in granting and refusing dispensations and waiving the fees therefor where the same has been done, be approved. We commend the actions of the Most Worshipful Grand Master for the high standard of efficiency attained by the Grand Lecturers commissioned by him and refer the same to the Board of Grand Examiners.

We recommend the approval of his action in appointing a District Deputy Grand Master for the German-speaking lodges in Illinois and refer his recommendation of permanent appointment for that purpose to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

So much of the address as refers to Schools of Instruction is referred to the Board of Grand Examiners.

So much as refers to deed wanted, is referred to the Committee on Petitions.

This Committee commends the action of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in the matter of visitation, particularly to that of foreign jurisdictions, believing that the exchange of these visits is beneficial to the craft in general and tends to cement the fraternal bonds which should exist between all Grand Lodges.

So much as comes under the heading of questions referred, is hereby referred to Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

So much as refers to jurisdiction of Chicago lodges, is also referred to Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the matter of black balls be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

So much as refers to discipline, is referred to the Committee on Appeals anad Grievances.

This committee is heartily in favor of the card index system as recommended by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and recommend that same be installed in the office of the Grand Secretary.

So much of the address as refers to amendments is referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

We recommend that the matter of the legality of the amendments to the constitution be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

That the matter of delayed installations, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

That the matter of cipher rituals be referred to the Board of Grand Examiners.

In conformity with the recommendations of the M.W. Grand Master the matter of masonic emblems in government cemeteries is referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

So much as refers to the Hot Springs circular, is referred to the Committee on Finance.

So much as refers to the George Washington National Memorial Association, is referred to the Committee on Finance.

So much as refers to the matter of moon lodges is referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

Your Committee has investigated the matter of the abuse of the black ball as reported by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and hereby heartily approves the action of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in the cases wherein he has been called upon to act; while we believe that certain cases of such abuse require action by the Most Worshipful Grand Master (as was true in these cases), yet all such cases must be governed by their own particular circumstances and in the wisdom of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and this approval is not included as a precedent for future action upon all complaints arising from the use of the black ball.

This Committee is heartily in favor of the rearrangement and indexing of the Blue Book as recommended under the heading, "Revision Committee," and as the compilation and arrangement thereof is a matter

affecting the laws, the same is referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

This Committee commends the action of the M.W. Grand Master in regard to the fund for the purchase of books for the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange and the Home at Sullivan; that his action in placing this fund in the hands of a special committee be approved, and we recommend that the same or a similar committee be continued and the matter of contribution for such purpose be placed before the constituent lodges for such action as they may desire.

So much of the address as refers to smoking in lodges, is referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges.

We recommend that the matter of dispensation for lodges at Algonquin and Warrensburg be referred to the Committee on Lodges U.D.

On the matter of ritual, this Committee desires to heartily concur in the action taken by the M.W. Grand Master in refusing to change the ritual and particularly commend his statement that it is "A dangerous precedent to vest in any Grand Master power to change the ritual." The matter of change in the ritual is something that requires grave consideration before any action is so taken and this Committee deems it wise that the matter be referred to Board of Grand Examiners.

We heartily agree with the statement made with reference to masonic travesties and urge the Grand Lodge and all the members thereof to use their best endeavors to stamp out such practices in the future.

We commend the remarks of the M.W. Grand Master relating to the subject of intellectual Masonry and the advancement of masonic study among the members, and the same is hereby referred to the Board of Grand Examiners for an expression as to the best method of procedure.

We recommend the approval of the detailed report of the M.W. Grand Master attached to his address and showing his actions during the past year and refer that portion of the same which refers to notices to and reports of District Deputy Grand Masters to the Committee on Chartered Lodges and that portion of the same referring to dispensations is referred to the Committee on Finance.

In conclusion your Committee on Grand Master's Address desires again to congratulate the Grand Lodge and the Most Worshipful Grand Master on the success for the year just closed. The phenomenal growth of our beloved institution testifies in no uncertain manner to the zeal and devotion of the brethren in the carrying on of this great work under the able direction of our Most Worshipful Grand Master.

The masonic brethren of Illinois can feel justly proud of the record presented in the address of our Most Worshipful Grand Master and as presented it shows that the leadership of our order in Illinois for the past year has been in the hands of one filled with a desire to promote their welfare to the utmost, who has labored long and earnestly to promote harmony and concord among the membership, to govern justly and wisely, yet with moderation and prudence. His work has been all, yea more, than was expected and true love and zeal for the institution has been the foundation upon which the great work of the past year has been erected.

To be good men and true, was the first lesson taught us in Masonry; and to exemplify this teaching by practical illustration in the fullest conception thereof, is apparent in the work of the present Most Worshipful Grand Master. As the days grow into months and the months into years, may the record presented cause us all to be spurred onward in the performance of our masonic duties with the same zeal and devotion as is manifest in the record presented to your Committee on Grand Master's address.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. Otman,
D. E. Bruffett,
H. L. Browning,
Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

A motion was made and carried that the Grand Lodge proceed with the election of officers.

REPORT—Committee on Grand Lodge Building.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, chairman of the Committee on Grand Lodge Building, made the following report. On motion it was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

The undersigned, who were appointed as a special committee at the session of the Grand Lodge, one year ago, under the resolution, as printed at page 101 of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year A.D. 1911, were charged under such resolution with the duty of considering and reporting on the following matters:

"It is desirable and wise that this Grand Lodge take steps to provide a permanent home for itself, substantially as outlined by the Grand

Master in his report to this Grand Lodge two years ago, and if so, what would be the probable cost of such an enterprise, and in what manner should the funds for the same be provided?"

Your committee reports:

First—We are unanimously of the opinion that it is desirable and wise that this Grand Lodge provide a home for itself, as contemplated.

This Grand Lodge at its session in the year A.D. 1910, in adopting the report of a special committee dealing with this same question, determined that "it is eminently desirable that this Grand Lodge acquire property of its own, where it may have a permanent home, where this Grand Lodge may assemble, where its officers may have permanent offices and where its property, books, records and things of value may be assembled and safely kept."

Your committee finds, however, that at present, it cannot make any recommendation as to property to be acquired, and your committee, in view of the present resources of this Grand Lodge and its fixed charges, is of the opinion that it would be wise to defer all further consideration of the scheme of acquiring a permanent home for this Grand Lodge until conditions are more favorable for the successful carrying out of the plan.

We therefore recommend that the present committee be discharged from further duty.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. H. Bell,
C. F. Newkirk,
Lawrence C. Johnson,
John D. Cleveland
W. E. Fitch,
Committee.

EXPLANATION.

In the copies of the Grand Secretary's report that were distributed at this session of the Grand Lodge, there was an item that looked as if Bro. William Wilhartz had received $100 for charity. The Grand Master explained that this money had been sent Brother Wilhartz for the aid of a worthy brother, and that the matter would be corrected in the Grand Secretary's report that appeared in the Proceedings.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell asked that unanimous consent be given to withdraw the amendments to Part 2, Sec. 1, Art. 25, and Part 1, Sec. 1, Art. 2, of Grand Lodge By-Laws, proposed at the session of 1910, consideration of which was postponed until this year. Unanimous consent was given.

REPORT—Committee on Revision.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Book of Ceremonials and a reprint of the Blue Book, made the report of this committee. It was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Illinois:

Your Special Committee on Revision of the Book of Ceremonials and a reprint of the Blue Book would fraternally report that we have carefully revised and corrected the Book of Ceremonials. We made comparatively few changes in the main part of the text, but made the directions for properly performing the ceremonies much fuller and plainer. With the assistance of the Grand Marshal we were able to greatly improve the instructions for forming and conducting the processions incident to the various ceremonies.

The new book has been distributed among the lodges and has been in use several months to the entire satisfaction of the brethren, so far as the committee has been informed.

We trust our work will meet the approval of the Grand Lodge.

We have inserted in the Blue Book all amendments to by-laws to date, giving all approved decisions under the appropriate sections, and making the verbal changes as authorized by the resolution under which we were appointed. We did not attempt a general revision of the law because we did not understand that we were authorized to do this and because of the large number of amendments to the law that are now pending.

In addition to the above, the committee, by the direction of the Grand Master and with his assistance, formulated some suggestions for the minutes of lodge meetings and they have been distributed among the lodges. It was not intended that these should be regarded as absolute requirements, but that they should be of assistance to secretaries who

were in need of help to properly keep the minutes of the lodge. It is hoped that they will be accepted and used for just what they purport to be, viz.: "Suggestions." Fraternally submitted,

EDWARD COOK,
WM. ELMER EDWARDS,
ALONZO DOLAN,
Committee.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott moved that the Book of Ceremonials prepared under the direction of the Committee on Revision be approved and adopted by the Grand Lodge. The motion was adopted.

REPORT—Trustees of Masonic Homes.

M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, president of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Homes, presented the report of the Trustees.

So much of the report as related to finances was referred to the Finance Committee. The balance of the report, on motion, was approved.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of the State of Illinois:

Your beneficence to our unfortunate brethren, their wives, widows, and dependent children, who failing material resources or means of support of their own, have thereby found restful and comfortable homes, the administration of which has been entrusted to this Board of Trustees, has been conducted during the past year quietly, harmoniously and effectively. Each and every demand within the legitimate limits of the exercise of our powers has been promptly and adequately met. Several worthy cases have been under consideration where the physical disability of the applicant has been so nearly total, requiring constant nursing and medical attendance, that a reluctant negative answer has been made to the appeal of the lodge in their behalf—our Homes being constructed, equipped and operated solely for those who can themselves attend to their personal wants and necessities, except for temporary and minor ailments.

Your Board of Trustees expresses the hope that the movement will assume practical form, which is now in process of development, for the

establishment of combined home and hospital facilities for our indigent brethren, their wives, widows and next of kin, whose physical disability is both total and permanent. This being accomplished, the broad mantle of masonic beneficence in Illinois will have reached its ultimate and adequate proportions.

The Masons of Illinois occupy a proud position already in the field of beneficent endeavor and the time is opportune to take a pioneer position in the masonic world by making provision for those of our brethren and their dear ones, who are not only bereft of wealth, but also of health, with no hope of regaining either.

For the good work already accomplished, each and every affiliated Mason in our Illinois lodges has ample reason to rejoice mightily for that which has been done, is doing, and will undoubtedly continue to be done by the Grand Lodge for the comfort, welfare, and happiness of our brethren who have had to contend with misfortune, affliction, infirmity and adversity beyond their financial and physical resources. While the individual contribution indirectly made through the medium of lodge dues, thus far is measured in coin of the realm by the insignificant sum of thirty-five cents per annum, the aggregate and ultimate good accomplished by the combination of more than one hundred thousand units engaged in the great and glorious work produces results which are beyond the power of man to express in words or figures, or even comprehend within the finite range of human thought.

The saving of bodies is essential and preparatory to the saving of souls—and souls are priceless. The promise of an abundant feast at some uncertain time in the future will not assuage the pangs of present hunger. The hope of eternal rest in a home of ineffable bliss will scarcely bring the balm of sleep to weary eyes or needed strength to tired forms, whose present bed is bare of comfort and grudgingly given by the hand of charity or the product of a public tax. Our aged brethren must have contributed in their day, their share in the world's advancement in either greater or lesser degree according to their attainments and environments, else they never would have been found worthy to have passed the portals of the masonic lodge. When laid low in their declining years by the cruel hand of adversity, and by infirmity of age or body are unable to provide for themselves the necessaries and moderate comforts of this temporal life it is a God-given obligation imposed on their more fortunate brethren to contribute each their mite out of the abundance with which they have been blessed, to bring the sunshine of happiness, peace and contentment into the lives of those of our brethren who stricken by adversity, bereft of support, deprived of health and energy,

are helpless in the present, and hopeless of the future except for what lies beyond the grave.

Masons of Illinois, you may well feel proud that the pathway to the grave has been cleared of gloom and perplexity, radiant with good cheer, and replete with comfort, for ninety-three of our brethren, their wives or widows, who otherwise would probably have suffered untold anguish in combatting the adverse conditions attending the remaining years allotted to them on earth. Your every heart should swell with pride, pleasure, and infinite gratitude that eighty-four of the offspring of our departed brethren have during the past year been privileged to enjoy all the blessings of a true home, in all that the name implies, save only the absence of the natural parent. Here are souls being saved. Here are good men and women being prepared to take up the duties of citizenship. Here are being formed the attributes which later on will develop happy homes filled with gladness and around whose firesides will cluster joyous children whose future will add to the world's welfare, which happy conditions may be traced directly to the teaching and training their forbears received through the generosity of the Masons of Illinois. The finite mind is incapable of estimating the ultimate good you are thus making possible by your beneficence thus extended.

May the blessing of Heaven permit you to continue and yet further extend your labors in correcting errors of adversity which have befallen some of our brethren.

We invite your attention now to the details of administration of the Illinois Masonic Homes during the past year.

ORGANIZATION.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 12, 1911, immediately following the close of the last Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge, Brothers Berks and Fletcher, who had been reappointed their own successors as Trustees, qualified by acceptance, and thereupon the Board effected its official organization as follows:

Geo. M. Moulton, President.
Henry W. Berks, Vice-President.
James A. Steele, Treasurer.
Chester S. Gurney, Secretary.

Bro. and Mrs. Chas. L. Hovey were continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Home for the Aged at Sullivan, and Bro. and Mrs. Chas. E. Bassett were likewise continued as Superintendent and Matron of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange.

There having been no change in the personnel of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee in immediate charge of the respective Homes remained the same as previously constituted, namely: Brothers Berks, Steele and Dixon for the Home at Sullivan, and Brothers Moulton, Daly and Fletcher for the Home at LaGrange.

By action of these committees, Bro. W. P. Davidson, M.D., was appointed physician to the Sullivan Home, and Bro. Arthur E. Higgons, M.D., physician to the Home at LaGrange, with Bro. C. B. Plattenburg, D.D.S., in charge of the dental work.

Subsequent to the organization meeting the Board has held three regularly called meetings, namely: February 12, 1912, at LaGrange; June 23, 1912, at Sullivan, and October 7, 1912, at Chicago.

THE HOME FOR THE AGED AT SULLIVAN.

By the action of the M.W. Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication sufficient funds were appropriated to enable the Board of Trustees to directly operate the farm in connection with the Sullivan Home without the intervention of a tenant farmer, and Bro. W. A. Dixon, of the Board of Trustees, was unanimously chosen as Farm Supervisor, and made accountable for the funds so appropriated. Brother Dixon graciously consented to thus act, having been early and uniformly enthusiastic with respect to what might be accomplished by the plan of farm operation under the direct auspices and supervision of the Board of Trustees. Brother Dixon's report is appended as an exhibit to this report, and merits your careful perusal and consideration.

Aside from this special work the several standing committees among whom the work of administration was distributed, have held frequent meetings, and the present excellent condition of the respective Homes is evidence of their faithful and earnest performance of duty.

The Executive Committee in immediate charge of each Home has submitted a report concerning the trust imposed upon them, which reports are appended hereto, that of the Sullivan Home being especially interesting and leaves little to be said in addition to what is therein contained.

Thus far this Home has been principally utilized for Master Masons, their wives or widows, of advanced years, and while to a limited extent the orphan children of Master Masons have found a happy home there, it has been the rule and custom to care for our wards of youthful years in the Home at LaGrange.

Bro. Charles L. Hovey and wife as Superintendent and Matron, respectively, have been zealous and faithful in the performance of their

duty, and we cheerfully bear testimony to their efficient service during their connection with the Home, which dates from the opening of the Home. For no special reason, but in the belief that a change in management would be beneficial the resignations of Brother Hovey and wife were accepted to take effect during the current month and Bro. George W. Pumphrey and wife, formerly of Bloomington, were appointed their successors. The report of Superintendent Hovey is appended hereto. It gives a most interesting account of existing conditions and incidents affecting the members.

The several appropriations made by the M.W. Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication for the betterment of the Sullivan Home have been wisely expended so as to be productive of the best results for the expenditure involved. The work accomplished is described in detail in the report of the Executive Committee hereto appended, and therefore needs not to be here repeated. The several items of work have not yet been fully completed and it is therefore recommended that the unexpended balances be retained by the Treasurer of this Board until all bills incurred have been paid, assurance being given that there is enough, but barely sufficient, funds in hand to meet all obligations of this character.

Your Board of Trustees further recommends in view of the very small balance remaining unexpended of the appropriation for maintenance of the Sullivan Home, that it also be retained by the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees to be accounted for in our next report with other sums which may be appropriated at this Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge. The same action is recommended with respect to balance of funds in hand for the special purpose of development and operation of the Sullivan farm,—said balance at this time being $343.02, after all outstanding orders have been paid.

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT LA GRANGE.

One year ago the officers and members of the M.W. Grand Lodge, numbering between five and six hundred, paid a visit to this institution and viewed the product of the generous legislation of themselves and their predecessors. Without a dissenting voice the Home and its accessories received hearty approval from the visiting brethren. That this commendation is well deserved is self evident to all who have taken the time and displayed the interest to personally inspect the Home. Your Board of Trustees expresses the earnest hope that the brethren in attendance this year upon Grand Lodge will embrace the opportunity to personally make themselves acquainted with the Home and its surroundings.

Brother and Mrs. Charles E. Bassett, as Superintendent and Matron, respectively, have been untiring in their devotion to the large family entrusted to their care. It has been the aim of your Board of Trustees to so conduct the affairs of this family as to make it in fact like any other American family home, with the sole difference that our family exceeds in numbers the ordinary household. In this thought we have the hearty and cordial co-operation of Brother Bassett and his good wife, who have been eminently successful in gaining the almost parental love and esteem of the children confided to their care. The Superintendent's report appended hereto is a model and any brother Mason who fails to give it a careful perusal will lose much that will appeal strongly to his manhood.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The Homes at both Sullivan and LaGrange have been the recipients of many acts of generous kindness, as well as substantial gifts from warm hearted brethren and sisters of our fraternity. The Superintendents' reports mention these pleasing evidences of an overflowing heart in detail, so that repetition herein is unnecessary. In each instance suitable acknowledgment was promptly made to the donor and our hearty thanks tendered.

Special mention should be made of the receipt of an elegant oil painting of our late brother, Joseph Robbins, P.G.M., donated by Bodley Lodge No. 1, A.F. and A.M., of Quincy, which portrait now permanently adorns the parlor of our Home.

Our walls have been further adorned by thirty framed pictures, the Christmas gift of our good brother, Albert Rouiller.

Bro. W. M. Boldenweck is also entitled to and received our hearty thanks for the donation to the Orphans' Home at LaGrange of five beautiful oil paintings.

BEQUESTS.

The bequest made by Bro. Fred Locker, a deceased member of Gothic Lodge No. 852, A.F. and A.M., of East St. Louis, was mentioned in our last report to the M.W. Grand Lodge. Subsequent investigation revealed the fact that the estate of our deceased brother had been so mismanaged, to use mild and guarded language, that nothing was realized from the well-intended action of our deceased brother. Bro. C. M. Forman and other zealous brethren of the legal profession, gave freely of their time and energy to gain something substantial from this bequest, but the machinations of those who had the manipulation of Brother Locker's property were so cleverly conducted and closely concealed that their efforts in behalf of this Home legacy were unavailing.

Notice was received that by the provisions of the last will and testament of Sister Adelheid G. Boldenweck, of Chicago, a bequest of $1,500 was made by her to the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home. Upon further inquiry it developed that this bequest was joined with a number of others of similar character to other institutions, and was conditional upon the entire estate realizing a certain amount, and that as this condition did not prevail all the bequests would fail. We are assured, however, by the counsel for Bro. William Boldenweck that this benefit will not be ultimately lost to our beloved institution inasmuch as he himself has made a similar provision in his own will.

It has been announced recently in the public press that the will of Bro. Lorenz Stoehr, of Alton, Illinois, has been probated, carrying with it a bequest of $5,000 to the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home. Thus far no official information has reached your Board of Trustees concerning this generous act. We trust that this substantial addition to the Permanent Fund of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home may soon be realized.

LA GRANGE SCHOOL CONTROVERSY.

In January of this year your Board of Trustees received a communication from the Board of Education of School District No. 102, in which our Orphans' Home at LaGrange is located, the tenor of which communication was a demand for the payment in cash of the actual ascertained cost of tuition for the children of our Home in the public school of LaGrange, after allowing credit for the amount assessed for school purposes from the several taxes paid as assessed on the Home property. The amount annually involved would be upwards of $2,500 additional tax. Your Board of Trustees unanimously were of the opinion that this demand was not only unjust but unsupported by law. With the approval of the Most Worthy Grand Master it was decided to resist the demand to the last extremity. Bro. Jesse E. Roberts, one of the leading attorneys of Chicago, has therefore been retained to protect the interest of the M.W. Grand Lodge in this very important matter and we are now awaiting developments. Thus far our children have not been ejected from the public school in LaGrange, but recent advices indicate that offensive measure will soon be instituted, which unless otherwise ordered by the M.W. Grand Lodge, will be vigorously resisted to the last extremity and the court of last resort.

Your Board of Trustees are further constrained to say, that in the event of an adverse decision to what we believe to be our just and lawful rights, that a system of independent tuition with our own teachers and facilities should be established in the Home, if this can be done within the range of reasonable economy.

For the general information of the craft in Illinois we append hereto the statement and opinion of Bro. Jesse E. Roberts, who has been retained as counsel for the M.W. Grand Lodge relative to this controversy. We commend this document to the careful perusal of all Masons.

OFFICIAL BOND.

Immediately after the re-election of Brother Steele as Treasurer for your Board of Trustees he filed a bond for $20,000, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his official duties and due accounting of the funds and property held by him as Treasurer. The bond was signed jointly by him and four good and sufficient personal sureties, and was duly approved.

CO-OPERATION IN FRATERNAL CHARITIES.

At Decatur on September 4, 1911, an organization was effected and entitled the Associated Fraternal Charities of Illinois, composed of the executive officers and boards of control of the charitable institutions of our state operated under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Order of Eastern Star and the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. The object of the association is by annual conference to acquire mutual improvement in the administration of the institutions represented, through discussion, interchange of thought, comparison of methods, and results accomplished. Its work is purely retrospective and educational. An invitation was extended and accepted for the Association to hold its meeting on Labor Day, September 2 of this year, at the LaGrange Home. The meeting was well attended, and great interest manifested in the topics for discussion. Past Grand Master Bell graced the occasion with his presence and favored the assembly with an interesting address. The President of your Board was honored by being chosen President of the Association for the ensuing year and our good brother, W. A. Dixon, was chosen as Secretary to succeed Past Grand Master Owen Scott, who rendered his usual efficient service in that capacity during the year before.

FINANCIAL.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary of your Board of Trustees are submitted herewith. These reports have been carefully verified by an expert accountant, not identified with the management, and his report is likewise appended.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Your Board of Trustees unanimously recommend that the following appropriations be made by the M.W. Grand Lodge at this Annual Communication:

For maintenance of the Sullivan Home.....$24,000.00
For maintenance of the LaGrange Home..... 18,000.00

The former amount to be in addition to the small unexpended balance from last year's appropriation and the latter amount to cover and include the deficiency of $935.80 in last year's appropriation as shown by actual and necessary expenditures incurred.

It is further recommended that these appropriations be paid in installments as follows:

One-half October 11, 1912; one-quarter on March 1, 1913, and one-quarter on July 1, 1913.

HOME LIBRARIES.

The appeal made last year for books for the Home Libraries is renewed. While the responses to our last appeal brought substantial results, we have shelf room for many more books and unlimited use for them. All offerings may be sent C.O.D. to either Bro. Geo. W. Pumphrey, Supt. Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan, Ill., or Bro. Charles E. Bassett, Supt. Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, LaGrange, Ill., who will make prompt and suitable acknowledgment of all donations of this character.

Your Board of Trustees have endeavored in the foregoing report to give you a clear and comprehensive report of the condition, operation and needs of the Homes which you have established. They are creditable in every way to Masonry and stand as enduring monuments to your liberality and adherence to the tenets of our profession, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, for in truth you have given relief through brotherly love.

Fraternally submitted for the Board of Trustees for Illinois Masonic Homes.

By Geo. M. Moulton,
President.

Chicago, October 8, 1912.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

October 1, 1912.

To the Board of Trustees:

Brethren:—Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of receipts and disbursements on account of Illinois Masonic Orphan Home, LaGrange, Illinois.

Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, LaGrange, Illinois.

RECEIPTS.

1911.			
Oct.	13	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	$ 8,000.00
Oct.	19	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	5,085.46

1912.		
Feb. 23	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	17.86
Mar. 1	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	4,000.00
July 3	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	5,186.51
Sept. 24	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	7.25
Oct. 1	To balance, overdraft	910.89
		$23,207.97

DISBURSEMENTS.

October 1, 1911, By balance, overdraft last report	$ 2,063.33
Vouchers Nos. 4859 and 4862 to 4979 except 4877	21,144.64
	$23,207.97

JAS. A. STEELE, *Treasurer.*

To the Board of Trustees:

Brethren:—Your Treasurer herewith submits his annual report of receipts and disbursements on account of

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS.

RECEIPTS

1911.		
Balance on hand last report		$ 316.74
Oct. 13	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	12,000.00
Oct. 21	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00
1912.		
Feb. 2	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	1,300.00
Feb. 21	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	9.42
Mar. 1	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	6,000.00
April 6	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00
April 22	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00
April 24	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	50.00
April 30	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	5,400.00
July 3	From C. S. Gurney, Secretary	8,500.00
		$33,726.16

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers No. 875 and 877 to 954, except 948-52	$29,779.67
October 1, 1912, balance on hand	3,946.49
	$33,726.16

JAS. A. STEELE, *Treasurer.*

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, SULLIVAN, ILLINOIS

For the year ending September 30, 1912.

RECEIPTS.

Treasurer's balance, September 30, 1911		$ 294.60
Grand Lodge		24,000.00
Farm		5,090.59
Funerals, costs refunded		209.42
Appropriations for		
Soft water plant	$ 850.00	
Deep well	5,450.00	
Special repairs	2,900.00	9,200.00
Total		$38,794.61

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$ 5,787.48	
Printing, stationery and postage	225.97	
Furnishings	937.53	
Superintendent's sundries	1,024.10	
Fuel	2,386.77	
Medical attendance and supplies	947.45	
Sundries, general	93.10	
Repairs, ordinary	1,137.39	
Clothing	1,223.37	
Traveling expense	195.39	
Repairs, special	2,139.90	
Labor	155.80	
Provisions	9,345.59	
Grand Lodge, return of surplus	294.60	
Legal expense	43.10	
Lighting	254.94	
Live stock	213.20	
Funerals	150.00	
Deep well	4,815.45	
Cistern, soft water plant	141.70	
School	2.50	
	$31,515.33	
Superintendent's balance, Sept. 30, 1911....$36.26		
Superintendent's balance, Sept. 30, 1912.... 32.21	4.05	$31,511.28
Treasurer's balance, September 30, 1912		$ 7,283.33

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

For the year ending September 30, 1912.

RECEIPTS

Maintenance account	$19,271.97	
Sale of old material	7.25	
Furnishings	1,500.00	
Construction	1,500.00	
Sundries	17.86	
		$22,297.08

DISBURSEMENTS.

Furnishings	$ 1,732.50	
Printing, stationery and postage	72.04	
Salaries	2,100.00	
Superintendent's sundries	959.22	
Fuel	2,197.24	
Medical attendance and supplies	591.85	
Sundries	231.21	
Clothing	1,429.45	
Traveling expense	67.91	
Labor	2,281.62	
Provisions	5,441.63	
Repairs and alterations	537.75	
School supplies	172.63	
Taxes	1,186.51	
Construction account	1,621.19	
	$20,622.75	
Superintendent's balance, Oct. 1, 1911 $ 35.49		
Superintendent's balance, Oct. 1, 1912 560.16		
	524.67	
Deficit of October 1, 1911	2,085.46	23,232.88
Balance, Dr.		$ 935.80

C. S. GURNEY, *Secretary.*

CHICAGO, ILL., October 7, 1912.

GEN. GEO. M. MOULTON,

President Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes, Chicago, Ill.

Sir:—I have examined the books and records of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Illinois Masonic Homes for the year ending September

30, 1912, and find the same to be correct. I submit the following as a summary of my examination:

Secretary's Record, LaGrange Home.

Receipts from all sources to September 30, 1912	$22,297.08

DISBURSEMENTS

As per vouchers October 1, 1911, to September 30, 1912, inclusive	$20,622.75
Balance Superintendent's Fund	524.67
Overdraft beginning of year	2,085.46
Overdraft September 30, 1912	$ 935.80

Secretary's Record, Sullivan Home.

Balance on hand, September 30, 1911	$ 294.60
Receipts from all sources to September 30, 1912	38,500.01
	$38,794.61

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per vouchers, October 1, 1911, to September 30, 1912	$31,515.73	
Balance Superintendent's Fund	4.05	
		$31,511.28
Balance September 30, 1912		7,283.33
Treasurer's overdraft LaGrange Home		910.89
Secretary's overdraft LaGrange Home		935.80
		$ 24.91
Treasurer's balance Sullivan Home		3,946.49
Treasurer's special farm fund		5,090.59
		$ 9,037.08
Secretary's balance Sullivan Home		7,283.33
		$ 1,753.75

The difference between the Secretary's and Treasurer's balance for the LaGrange Home is caused by Voucher No. 4977 for $24.91, being unpaid at the close of the year.

The difference between the Secretary's and Treasurer's balance for the Sullivan Home is caused by the following vouchers being unpaid at the close of the business for the year:

No. 948	$ 239.90
No. 952	24.90
No. 955	663.95
No. 956	100.00
No. 957	450.00
No. 958	75.00
No. 959	200.00
	$1,753.75

(See Special Report.)

The following is a statement of the special Farm Fund:

Received through C. S. Gurney, Secretary	$5,090.59
Received through Trustee Berks	50.00
Total	$5,140.59
Disbursed on Vouchers Nos. 1 to 132 inclusive and two special orders	$4,295.84
Balance in hands of Treasurer	844.75

I have verified the Treasurer's balances, as evidenced by the attached certificates from the Merchants and Farmers State Bank.

CHAS. A. FORSHEE, *Accountant.*

SULLIVAN, ILL., October 1, 1912.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the books of this bank show a balance to the credit of James A. Steele, Treasurer of the Illinois Masonic Homes, on October 1, 1912, on account of Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan, $3,946.49, and that the account of Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, LaGrange, is overdrawn, $910.89.

W. A. STEELE, *President.*

SULLIVAN, ILL., October 5, 1912.

This is to certify that the books of this bank show a balance of $844.75 to the credit of James A. Steele, Treasurer of Illinois Masonic Homes, on account of "Farm Account," on October 1, 1912.

W. A. STEELE, *President.*

CHICAGO, ILL., October 1, 1912.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes.

Dear Brethren:—The Executive Committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, fraternally reports that under the watchful and efficient care of the Superintendent and Matron our wards have passed a happy year of moral, mental, and physical progress on the road to future usefulness in life.

In the report of a former executive committee, reference was made to the erection of a permanent home as "an enduring monument to Ancient Craft Masonry." Due to the wisdom and beneficience of the craft, this has been accomplished; but the real monument—the abiding testimony—the continual witness of this wisdom and beneficience is the good done to those dear children placed in our care by the vicissitudes of life. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

The report of the Superintendent which is transmitted herewith, covers fully the details of the year's work.

Our Home physician, Bro. Arthur E. Higgins, M.D., has been faithful to his charge, and to his skill and care is largely due the successful termination of what little sickness occurred from time to time.

As in former years, Dr. Plattenberg has carefully attended to the dental necessities of the children.. Our children attend the public schools pending the outcome of a somewhat somnolent controversy raised by the school board as to the right of the children to school privileges without the payment of tuition fees. We note with pleasure that the appeal for books for the home library has met with some generous responses.

The committee has met at the home once each month during the year and, as in the past, each member has in turn given personal attention to matters of administration.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. M. MOULTON,
ROBERT J. DALY,
ROBERT C. FLETCHER,
Executive Committee.

To the President and Members of the Board of Trustees Illinois Masonic Homes:

Dear Brothers:—I submit herewith my annual report as superintendent of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home for the year closing September 30, 1912.

The health in the Home has been remarkably good considering the contagious diseases of one kind and another that have visited our village. I have to report the death of Mamie Bablitz which occurred September 25th after my report for last year had been sent in. President Moulton was informed of the event, however, and referred to it in his report for that year. Mamie was in apparent good health when taken out by her mother for the summer, and died while away and out of the care of the Home. No deaths have occurred during this Masonic year.

The dental outfit procured for the Home, and the arrangement made with Brother C. B. Plattenburg to come out at stated times and look after the children's teeth, are working satisfactorily.

January 29th, Gladys and Gertrude Jones were taken to the Illinois Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, 904 Adams Street, Chicago, to be treated for discharging ears, and Benford Martensen was taken there January 31st for the same purpose. Gertrude was brought back February 6, but the cure was not permanent and she was taken back February 29. Benford was brought home February 25th, but Gladys and Gertrude did not respond to treatment as readily and did not come home until May 5th. The trouble has not returned in any of the cases. Brother Jarrard, superintendent of the Infirmary, gave us the best of attention. All of our children have been provided with glasses when an examination of the eyes showed that they needed them.

Dr. Higgins has been faithful and successful when medical assistance was needed. I refer you to his report for further information regarding the health of the Home.

Our boys and girls have passed a pleasant and profitable year in the new Home. They have enjoyed the fresh air, ample grounds, inside and outside games, flower and vegetable gardens, and while they have played to their "hearts' content" they have always been cheerful in the performance of any duties assigned to them. They have been regular in their attendance at school, church and Sunday School, and have so deported themselves as to give their teachers a deep interest in them. On account of five extremely mild cases of scarlet fever in the Home all of our children were excluded from the public school for a month, but through their own efforts and the kind and special assistance given them by their teachers nearly all of them were promoted in June. Robert Shaw and William Kernahan have entered the High School in LaGrange in accordance with instructions from the Executive Committee. Neither of these boys will reach the age limit fixed for the Home until next year. Marian Ledger, a full orphan, has been discharged on the records on account of expiration of time, and is now employed in the Home

with satisfactory results. The bank account of four dollars which was started for her by contributions from Brothers Daly and Fletcher, has, through Marian's thriftiness, increased to two hundred dollars.

May 10th, Brother Martin Beenke, who has four boys in the Home, passed away at the county hospital of tuberculosis. Five days after his youngest boy was old enough to be admitted to the Home, Brother Beenke brought him here, and, feeling that his own end was near, made the remark that he was glad he could leave his boys in so good a place after they would be deprived of him. He survived this incident only a month.

July 17th, Mrs. Viola Ogden Pride, mother of Mary and Roy Pride, who are in this Home, passed away at Maroa.

During the 72nd Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge it was very interesting when nearly 500 of the members came out to inspect the new Home.

In my annual report of 1907 I recommended that steps be taken for the establishment of a library or reading room in the Home, and last year I renewed the recommendation. A good start has been made this year and indications point to a great success. The new books that are coming in are well adapted to the purpose and are supplying a long felt want. The Home is to be congratulated on the outlook.

July 4th was celebrated by the people of LaGrange with unusual and appropriate ceremony, comprising some of the features of an old fashioned Fourth. Our children participated in the parade in the forenoon; had their own firecrackers and torpedoes at home in the afternoon and a good display of fireworks in the evening.

On Thanksgiving Day a special dinner was served as usual, comprising the good things that well-to-do people enjoy in their own homes.

Christmas Eve was celebrated December 22nd, and, for the first time, arrangements were made exclusively by those connected with the Home. Cash donations from various Masonic bodies and individuals were very generous and ample for all purposes. Great credit is due the contributors for their liberality in the good cause. They may rest in the assurance that the money was judiciously expended and that the occasion was the most interesting one of the year for the children. The Ingleside Quartet: Miss Sisson, soloist; Brother E. D. Holmes, violinist; Brother J. Harry Jones, accompanist, and Brother Gourley, reader, kindly contributed to make the program an enjoyable one. Brother Howard Patterson made a first class Santa Claus in every respect, and

we hope he will consent to assume the same role on many future occasions. The Home children had four numbers on the program.

September 2nd, we had the pleasure of entertaining the Associated Fraternal Charities of Illinois, on which occasion their annual meeting was held in this Home.

During the year we have received the following cash donations for various children in the Home:

From Bro. Martin Beenke for his four boys, as per his request before his death $100.00
From Princeton Lodge No. 587 for the two Loverin and two Gibson children 12.00
From Oriental Lodge No. 33 for the three Giseke boys 15.00
From Chicago Lodge No. 437 for Otto Hjarsen and subject to his order 25.00

The Loverin children have left the Home and taken their money, which was deposited in the LaGrange State bank.

The money for the Beenke, Gibson and Giseke children is deposited to their credit in the LaGrange State bank, savings account.

Otto bought a bicycle and was given the small balance when he went out of the Home. We also had a pass book for Otto on the Security bank, showing a deposit of $7.00. We gave this book to his legal guardian.

We are informed that Brother Beenke left a small house and lot which are being looked after by Kensington Lodge No. 804 of which he was a member.

It has been impossible to keep within the appropriation made last year for the maintenance of the Home. In the year 1906 the appropriation was $15,000.00. This amount was not all used, but when set aside it was thought none too large. The highest membership that year was 76, and about one-half of the children were away for longer or shorter periods during the summer vacation, which enabled us to reduce expenses materially. This year the membership has reached 87 and has not fallen below 79, as no vacations were permitted. We have expenses here that we did not have in Chicago, and aside from that fact the general cost of living is greater here than there. I need not suggest to anyone who maintains a household that the necessities of life have increased enormously in prices within the last six years. I make this comparison

with the year 1906 in order to show that there has been no extravagance in the management of the Home this year.

The substitution of sweet milk for skimmed milk increased the expenses considerably, but the result has been very satisfactory. The children do not use tea nor coffee, and milk is an important article of their food. The appearance, health and activity of the children indicate that they are getting the right kind and proper amount of nourishment.

I am aware that the Grand Lodge finances have been drawn upon heavily for several years past, and it is possible that the appropriation of $16,000.00 was all that could be spared, but it was not sufficient to maintain the Home last year, and will not be sufficient to maintain it in the coming year, without materially cheapening the standard.

The children have enjoyed the following events during the year:

Automobile ride by LaGrange Motor Club. The weather was not auspicious on the date set in advance, but the members of the club did not disappoint us on that account. All the children went and there were cars to spare.

The annual meeting of the Illinois Masonic Veteran Association, where refreshments were served.

Congregational Sunday School entertainment, in which some of the children participated.

"Buffalo" Jones Motion Picture Show, showing the capture of wild animals in Africa.

Sleigh ride given by little Esther Windsor for children in the sixth grade.

A sleigh ride in which all the Home children took part.

Entertainment given in Oakley Boulevard Temple by Arcana Lodge No. 717.

Complimentary entertainment in our assembly room by Bro. Henry Brown.

Home party in assembly room.

Flower gathering excursion in wagonettes to Fullersburg.

Musical entertainment given in town hall, in which some of our children took part.

Long and enjoyable ride on merry-go-round through the kindness of Bro. J. F. Dore.

Entertainment given at Congregational church.

Picnic at Bergmann's Grove, Riverside, given by Arcana Lodge Low Twelve Club. Some of our boys got money for helping in the bowling alley, and some of them won prizes in the races.

Picnic given on the Home grounds by York Chapter No. 148, R.A.M. Watches, knives, footballs, silver mesh bags, dolls and an abundance of confectionery and fruit were brought out and distributed by the committee.

It required the most strenuous mental and physical efforts on the part of the visiting athletes to give our boys the game of baseball but they succeeded in doing it.

Lawn party on Brother Fletcher's grounds, given by Bros. R. C. Fletcher, E. J. Rogerson, J. H. Cumming and Fred Gardner.

Professional ball game between Cubs and Bostons on the Cubs' grounds, Chicago, through the kindness of President C. W. Murphy. The management gave us good seats and distributed confectionery to the children.

The following gifts have been sent to the Home since our last report:

Lot of dolls from Brother McGregor of LaGrange Lodge No. 770.

Several cases Dutch wafers from Bro. John G. Bayless.

Pail of candy from Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Young.

A beautiful white toy dog from little Gertrude Bennett of Rogers Park.

Several large and exceptionally beautiful floral pieces from Bro. S. C. Bilger.

A crate of bananas and ten boxes dates from Dr. A. E. Higgins.

Large lot of very fine fruit and vegetables for Christmas from Arcana Lodge No. 717.

A stocking of fruit and confectionery for each member of the Home from ladies of Lady Garfield Chapter No. 91, O.E.S., brought by Miss Maude Murray, Worthy Matron.

Some Christmas cards, cups and two satchels from Bro. Edw. P. Summers.

A lot of dolls and toys from Day Light Chapter No. 611, O.E.S.

A lot of doilies, sketch books and paints from Bro. James W. Thorp.

Candy and cracker jack for all the children from Garden City Lodge No. 141.

During the visit of members of the Grand Lodge the amount of money given the children amounted to $18.46.

One dozen China darning balls from Mrs. J. E. Windsor.

Thirty volumes Encyclopedia Britannica from Bro. E. H. Thomas of Kilwinning Lodge No. 311. A very valuable and appropriate donation to our library.

Lot of straw hats from Mr. Wm. Mandel.

A large basket assorted fruit from Bro. W. J. Chegwidden.

Candy for all the children from Waubansia Lodge No. 160.

Lot of toys from Mrs. G. Hood of Morton Park.

Lot of candy from Lincoln Park Chapter No. 177, R.A.M.

Photogravures of 100 crowned masterpieces of paintings from Mrs. C. M. Boyd of LaGrange Chapter No. 201, O.E.S.

Fifty pounds of candy canes from Bro. Henry Miller.

Fine doll for Paulina Ruhle from Bro. Chas. F. Bass.

Round of Easter cards from Bro. B. F. Hedges.

Three barrels fresh fish from Mr. B. G. Merrill, Deputy Fish Warden.

A framed picture of the children of the Home, enlarged photograph 3 by 4 feet, from Arcana Lodge No. 717.

The following donations of books, etc., for the library have been received, nearly all of which were in good condition:

Mrs. W. J. Miller, ten books.

Mrs. H. W. Deitrich, lot of magazines.

Mrs. A. J. Metzel, magazines, games and building blocks.

Mrs. D. G. Craig, a lot of books.

Bro. and Mrs. Eckett and Brother and Mrs. Inlander, thirty-eight books.

Mrs. Greenwood, of Oriental Chapter No. 558, O.E.S., books

"A Friend of Little Children," one dozen books.

Bro. John Bryce, thirty books by Henty.

Superintendent's Fund.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance, October 1, 1911	$ 35.49
Received since for Superintendent's Fund	6,800.00
	$6,835.49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Provisions	$1,357.53
Clothing	556.09
Labor	2,281.62
School	172.63
Medical	176.75
Home Furnishings	261.31
Repairs	127.26
Fuel	382.92
Sundries	959.22
Balance unexpended	560.16
	$6,835.49

Sales and Refunds.

RECEIPTS.

American Book Company allowed us in exchange books	$11.61
Sale of old barrels and rags	5.50
Bro. Theo. Thygesen reimbursement for clothes	5.00
Bro. J. F. Dore refund of merry-go-round charge	3.00
	$25.11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash to Bro. C. S. Gurney, February 17	$17.86
Cash to Bro. C. S. Gurney, September 21	7.25
	$25.11

Delmar D. Darrah Library Fund.

RECEIPTS.

Chicago Lodge No. 437, cash contribution	$50.00
Lake View Lodge No. 774, cash contribution	20.00
	$70.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

A. C. McClurg & Co., August 16 for books	$33.72
Balance unexpended	36.28
	$70.00

Christmas Fund.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance, October 1, 1911	$ 220.54
Garden Lodge No. 141	25.00
Bro. R. C. Dyrenforth, collection from Grand Lodge members, October 12th	15.97
Bro. E. E. Mills	6.10
Shabbona Lodge No. 374	5.00
Olive Branch No. 38	10.00
Composite Lodge No. 879	10.00
Hesperia Lodge No. 411	15.00
Elizabeth Schoen	2.50
LaGrange Chapter No. 201, R.A.M.	10.00
Normal Park Lodge No. 797	10.00
Havana Chapter No. 86, R.A.M.	10.00
America Lodge No. 889	10.00
Bro. B. F. Hedges	10.00
Son of Bro. Oscar A. Kropf	5.00
John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944	10.00
Candida Lodge No. 927	10.00
Cleveland Lodge No. 211	25.00
James Edmanson Catering Co.	5.00
Tracy Chapter No. 189, O.E.S.	10.00
Members of Germania Chapter No. 552, O.E.S.	9.00
Columbian Lodge No. 819	10.00
LaGrange Lodge No. 770	25.00
Madison Chapter No. 689, O.E.S.	36.00
Wright's Grove Lodge No. 779	10.00
York Chapter No. 148, R.A.M.	25.00
Austin Lodge No. 850	25.00
Jackson Park Chapter No. 222, R.A.M.	25.00
Logan Square Lodge No. 891	10.00
Bohemia Lodge No. 943	10.00
Apollo Commandery No. 1, K.T.	25.00
Edgewater Lodge No. 901	25.00
Bro. H. Kahl	5.00
Bro. G. D. Rosengrant	2.00

Cicero Chapter No. 180, R.A.M.	25.00
Golden Rule Lodge No. 726	10.00
Wheaton Lodge No. 269	5.00
Garfield Lodge No. 686	15.00
Sinai Chapter No. 185, R.A.M.	5.00
Calumet Club	15.65
Kensington Lodge No. 804	15.00
Constellation Lodge No. 892	20.00
Welcome Lodge No. 916	15.00
Mason Lodge No. 217	5.00
Millard Chapter No. 349, O.E.S.	5.00
Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907	20.00
Wiley M. Egan Chapter No. 126, R.A.M.	10.00
Greenville Lodge No. 245	5.00
Bro. C. W. Schyckar	1.00
Bro. G. I. Rice	.75
Pleiades Lodge No. 478	25.00
Oriental Lodge No. 33	25.00
Clay City Lodge No. 488	2.50
Waubansia Lodge No. 160	25.00
Compass Lodge No. 922	15.00
Mizpah Lodge No. 768	25.00
Columbia Commandery No. 63, K.T.	10.00
Circle Lodge No. 938	5.00
Bro. Court R. Merrill	2.20
Bro. M. D. Rider	10.00
Chicago Lodge No. 437	10.00
Bro. W. H. Launtzen	2.00
Home Lodge No. 508	10.00
Delavan Lodge No. 156	5.00
Unknown friend	1.00
D. C. Cregier Lodge No. 643	10.00
Accordia Lodge No. 277	5.00
Golden Rod Chapter No. 205, O.E.S.	25.00
Washington Chapter No. 43, R.A.M.	15.00
Gothic Lodge No. 852	10.00
Riverside Lodge No. 862	10.00
Woodlawn Commandery No. 76, K.T.	10.00
Damascus Lodge No. 888	6.00
Carnation Lodge No. 900	10.00
Oriental Lodge No. 33	3.00
Union Park Lodge No. 610	25.00
Murphysboro Lodge No. 498	6.00

Equity Lodge No. 878	25.00
Avondale Lodge No. 921	10.00
Utopia Lodge No. 894	10.00
Banner Blue Lodge No. 924	10.00
Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 876	10.00
Lakeside Lodge No. 739	5.00
Thos. J. Turner Lodge No. 409	10.00
St. Bernard Commandery No. 35	10.00
Berwyn Chapter No. 529, O.E.S.	5.00
East St. Louis Lodge No. 504	25.00
Bro. R. D. Divine	1.00
Justice Lodge No. 949	10.00
Rutland Chapter No. 112, R.A.M.	25.00
Bee Hive Lodge No. 909	25.00
Brighton Park Lodge No. 854	25.00
Crescent Lodge No. 895	10.00
Augusta Knoche of Columbia Chapter No. 210, O.E.S.	2.00
King Oscar Lodge No. 855	10.00
Bro. G. W. Scott	1.00
Marine Lodge No. 355	5.00
E. F. Ellis Lodge No. 633	10.00
Waldeck Lodge No. 674	1.00
	$1,392.21

DISBURSEMENTS.

As per receipted bills audited by Executive Committee	$1,260.96
Cash balance, September 30, 1912	131.25
	$1,392.21

ADMITTED SINCE SEPTEMBER 30, 1911.

Name.	Admitted.	Age.	Age. Now.	Lodge.	Location.
Beaubien, Sidney N.	Nov. 8, 1911	13	14	Siloam, 780	Chicago
Beaubien, Alice H.	Nov. 8, 1911	7	8	Siloam, 780	Chicago
Trauth, Charles A.	Nov. 11, 1911	4	5	Jerusalem Tem., 90	Aurora
Dieritz, Daniel H.	Nov. 11, 1911	10	11	Home, 508	Chicago
Pieritz, William J.	Nov. 11, 1911	5	6	Home, 508	Chicago
Gibson, Harvey	Dec. 1, 1911	13	14	Princeton, 587	Princeton
Gibson, Myrtle	Dec. 1, 1911	11	11	Princeton, 587	Princeton
Freeman, Jesse	Jan. 27, 1912	6	7	Shekinah, 241	Carbondale
Freeman, Arthur	Jan. 27, 1912	3	3	Shekinah, 241	Carbondale
Ashley, Sara E.	Feb. 8, 1912	5	6	Alma, 497	Steeleville
Little, Effie M.	Mar. 22, 1912	11	11	Exeter, 424	Exeter
Beenke, Theodore	Apr. 14, 1912	3	3	Kensington, 804	Chicago
Lachmich, Frieda	Apr. 15, 1912	12	12	Lake View, 774	Chicago
Lachmich, William	Apr. 15, 1912	8	9	Lake View, 774	Chicago
MacNair, Ernest L.	June 30, 1912	8	8	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago
MacNair, Sophie	June 30, 1912	7	7	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago
MacNair, Stewart L.	June 30, 1912	4	5	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago

Name.	Admitted.	Age.	Age. Now.	Lodge.	Location.
Dills, Blanche E.	Aug. 16, 1912	12	12	New Burnside, 772.	N. Burnside
Dills, Madge L.	Aug. 16, 1912	9	9	New Burnside, 772.	N. Burnside
Dills, Benjamin A.	Aug. 16, 1912	7	7	New Burnside, 772.	N. Burnside
Dills, George M.	Aug. 16, 1912	4	4	New Burnside, 772.	N. Burnside
Willard, Eugene B.	Aug. 29, 1912	12	12	Roseville, 519.	Roseville
Willard, George E.	Aug. 29, 1912	9	9	Roseville, 519.	Roseville
Nelson, Emily H.	Sept. 11, 1912	9	9	Charleston, 35.	Charleston
Nelson, Irma L.	Sept. 11, 1912	7	7	Charleston, 35.	Charleston
Messner, Katherine	Sept. 15, 1912	7	7	Accordia, 277.	Chicago

Discharged Since September 30, 1911.

Mamie Bablitz.	Sept. 26, 1911	Marian Ledger.	June 9, 1912
Laura Crapp	Oct. 4, 1911	Gladys B. Lane.	June 29, 1912
Virginia Brookman.	Oct. 7, 1911	Ora Hoseney.	July 8, 1912
Mabel Hopkins.	Oct. 28, 1911	Gertrude C. Loverin.	July 12, 1912
Helen Hopkins.	Oct. 28, 1911	Harry Loverin.	July 12, 1912
Robert W. Adair.	Dec. 19, 1911	Otto Hjarsen.	July 24, 1912
Arthur Adair.	Dec. 19, 1911	James H. Caskie.	July 26, 1912
Alex. J. Finlayson.	Jan. 7, 1912	Blanche E. Dills.	Aug. 17, 1912
Douglas Finlayson.	Jan. 7, 1912	Madge L. Dills.	Aug. 17, 1912
Dorothy Finlayson.	Jan. 7, 1912	Benjamin A. Dills.	Aug. 17, 1912
Florence Seabrook.	Apr. 6, 1912	George M. Dills.	Aug. 17, 1912
Roy E. VanWeelde.	May 13, 1912	Alice Schubert.	Sept. 1, 1912
Irvin H. VanWeelde.	May 13, 1912	Frances E. Brown.	Sept. 23, 1912
Lucille VanWeelde.	May 13, 1912		

Present Membership of the Home.

Name.	Admitted.	Age.	Age Now.	Lodge.	Location.
Kernahan, Wm. J.	Nov. 1, 1901	3	14	Ashlar, 308.	Chicago
Seabrook, Howard.	Dec. 21, 1901	3	14	Berwyn, 839.	Berwyn
Seabrook, Alice M.	Sept. 3, 1903	3	12	Berwyn, 839.	Berwyn
Shaw, Robert E.	Sept. 15, 1903	5	14	Hesperia, 411.	Chicago
Crapp, Robert.	May 30, 1905	5	12	Mystic Star, 758.	Chicago
Black, Agnes M.	Sept. 1, 1906	8	14	Richard Cole, 697.	Chicago
Hoseney, Bernice.	Aug. 24, 1907	4	9	Hutton, 698.	Diona
Van Asdlen, Bessie.	Jan. 31, 1908	7	11	Channahon, 262.	Channahon
Van Asdlen, Wm. H.	Jan. 31, 1908	5	9	Channahon, 262.	Channahon
Messner, Christian.	May 7, 1908	7	12	Accordia, 277.	Chicago
Messner, Joseph F.	May 7, 1908	5	10	Accordia, 277.	Chicago
Swalley Carter A.	Mar. 28 1909	5	8	J. D. Moody, 510.	Iuka
Swalley, Helen D.	Mar. 28, 1909	2	6	J. D. Moody, 510.	Iuka
Norris, Evelyn M.	May 6, 1909	6	10	Composite, 879.	Chicago
Norris, William H.	May 6, 1909	5	8	Composite, 879.	Chicago
Gutcher, Wm. R. D.	May 20, 1909	7	10	Harbor, 731.	Chicago
Gutcher, Thomas A.	May 20, 1909	5	8	Harbor, 731.	Chicago
Welborn, Charles.	Aug. 31, 1909	11	14	New Haven, 230.	New Haven
Welborn, Richard J.	Aug. 31, 1909	9	12	New Haven, 230.	New Haven
Ashley, Herbert R.	Nov. 6, 1909	10	12	Alma, 497.	Steeleville
Ashley, Marie D.	Nov. 6, 1909	7	9	Alma, 497.	Steeleville
Mellor, Gertrude.	Nov. 12, 1909	10	13	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Mellor, Harold J.	Nov. 12, 1909	6	9	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Mellor, Edith M.	Nov. 12, 1909	2	5	Pleiades, 478.	Chicago
Shanks, William S.	Mar. 5, 1910	12	14	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Shanks, George B.	Mar. 5, 1910	10	12	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Shanks, Harold E.	Mar. 5, 1910	7	10	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Rhule, William H.	Mar. 7, 1910	8	11	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Rhule, Albert G.	Mar. 7, 1910	7	9	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Rhydderch, Dorothy.	June 11, 1910	8	10	Fides, 842.	Chicago
Beenke, Martin.	June 26, 1910	7	9	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Beenke, Albertus.	June 26, 1910	3	5	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Beenke, Johan.	July 17, 1910	5	7	Kensington, 804.	Chicago
Rhule, Paulina.	Sept. 14, 1910	5	7	Cleveland, 211.	Chicago
Giseke, John J.	Sept. 15, 1910	8	10	Oriental, 33.	Chicago
Giseke, August W.	Sept. 15, 1910	7	9	Oriental, 33.	Chicago
Giseke, Bernhard H.	Sept. 15, 1910	3	5	Oriental, 33.	Chicago

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Gandee, Satie H.	Dec. 8, 1910	6	7	Xenia, 485	Xenia
Gandee, Daisy T.	Dec. 8, 1910	4	6	Xenia, 485	Xenia
Jones, Arthur G.	Jan. 29, 1911	9	10	Arcana, 717	Chicago
Rhydderch, Winnifred	Jan. 29, 1911	11	13	Fides, 842	Chicago
Rhydderch, David	Jan. 29, 1911	6	8	Fides, 842	Chicago
Jones, Gladys H.	Feb. 3, 1911	6	7	Arcana, 717	Chicago
Jones, Gertrude M.	Feb. 3, 1911	4	6	Arcana, 717	Chicago
Gunn, Wallace A.	Feb. 25, 1911	7	8	Nunda, 169	N. Crystal Lake
Funk, Weir M.	Mar. 2, 1911	7	9	Exeter, 424	Exeter
Funk, Chester R.	Mar. 2, 1911	5	7	Exeter, 424	Exeter
Funk, Keith K.	Mar. 2, 1911	3	5	Exeter, 424	Exeter
Pride, Mary	Mar. 20, 1911	10	11	Maroa, 454	Maroa
Pride, Roy M.	Mar. 20, 1911	8	9	Maroa, 454	Maroa
Jones, Earl G.	Apr. 5, 1911	4	5	Corner-Stone, 875	Chicago
Trauth, Raymond L.	Apr. 23, 1911	11	12	Jerusalem Temple, 90	Aurora
Trauth, Frederick E.	Apr. 23, 1911	9	10	Jerusalem Temple, 90	Aurora
Martensen Byron	May 1, 1911	5	6	D. C. Cregier, 643	Chicago
Martensen, Benford	May 1, 1911	3	5	D. C.Cregier,643	Chicago
Thygesen, Johanna	Aug. 7, 1911	12	13	Richard Cole, 697	Chicago
Thygesen, Else P.	Aug. 7, 1911	10	12	Richard Cole, 697	Chicago
Thygesen, Julius E.	Aug. 7, 1911	3	4	Richard Cole, 697	Chicago
Downes, Elizabeth I.	Aug. 19, 1911	10	11	Prairie, 77	Paris
Downes, Thelma	Aug. 19, 1911	7	8	Prairie, 77	Paris
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Beenke, Theodore	Apr. 14, 1912	3	3	Kensington, 804	Chicago
Lachmich, Frieda	Apr. 15, 1912	12	12	Lake View, 774	Chicago
Lachmich, William	Apr. 15, 1912	8	9	Lake View, 774	Chicago
MacNair, Ernest L.	June 30, 1912	8	8	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago
MacNair, Sophie	June 30, 1912	7	7	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago
MacNair, Stewart L.	June 30, 1912	4	5	Brighton Park, 854	Chicago
Willard, Eugene B.	Aug. 29, 1912	12	12	Roseville, 519	Roseville
Willard, George E.	Aug. 29, 1912	9	9	Roseville, 519	Roseville
Nelson, Emily H.	Sept. 11, 1912	9	9	Charleston, 35	Charleston
Nelson, Irma L.	Sept. 11, 1912	7	7	Charleston, 35	Charleston
Messner, Katherine	Sept. 15, 1912	7	7	Accordia, 277	Chicago

Recapitulation of Population.

Members in the Home October 1, 1911	84
Admitted during the year	26
	110
Discharged during the year	27
Members in the Home September 30, 1912	83
Loss during the year	1
Average population	83
Highest population during year	87

Average age, nine years.

CAUSE OF DISCHARGE.

Died 1
Expiration of time 6
Parent married again 3
Taken out by parent or guardian able to provide..... 6
Parents cured and released from asylums..... 7
Mother could not stand separation 4

The four last children referred to were from New Burnside. The distance from that place—where the mother lived—was so great to La-Grange that she would not be able to come to see them. They were brought here one day and taken out the next day.

A great many visitors have inspected the Home and all impressions made upon them by its appearance and practicability were very favorable.

Our employes are faithful and agreeable and well deserving of the appreciation that we feel for the assistance they are giving us.

Mrs. Bassett joins me in thanking you for the support you have given us during the year.

Fraternally,

CHAS. E. BASSETT, *Superintendent.*

LAGRANGE, ILL., October 1, 1912.

Trustees Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, Chicago Ill.

As to conditions in the Home from a medical standpoint during the past year I have, I think, a very favorable report.

During last winter we had two boys run uncomplicated courses of pneumonia, both making complete recoveries.

During the latter part of March we had five cases of scarlet fever develop, all boys, but were lucky enough to isolate them early and no more developed.

I was unable to find source of contagion—there were a few cases in the village at the time—but these boys were too young to be in school and had not been anywhere that they could be exposed to it, and the fact that more cases did not develop looked against local contagion in the Home.

The Melbourne boy has not done well for a time back and his condition and family history would cause me to be fearful of tuberculosis development, and for that reason I asked to have him taken to the farm.

Aside from this I have nothing but slight ailments and not nearly the proportion of these that I am accustomed to find in the same num-

ber of children in private homes, showing the good effects of the regularity in the care they receive in the Home.

ARTHUR E. HIGGINS, M.D.

LaGrange, Illinois.

To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes:

Your committee in charge of the Illinois Masonic Home, Sullivan, reports, for the year ending September 30, 1912, as follows:

1. Brother Charles L. Hovey and wife, Superintendent and Matron since the Home opened in 1904, resigned, and Brother George W. Pumphrey and wife, of Bloomington, have been engaged to fill the vacancies. Brother Hovey has been a very faithful and conscientious superintendent, and in the discharge of the many and varied arduous duties of his position, has always had the peace and harmony of the Home at heart, and the restful and homelike atmosphere of the institution, so apparent to all visitors, is due entirely to his kind and patient disposition and tactful management. Our sincere good wishes go with him in his new field of labor. Brother Pumphrey and wife come to us well recommended and we firmly believe will ably and satisfactorily administer the affairs of the institution.

2. The appropriation of $24,000.00 for maintenance of the institution has been sufficient, and we recommend that the same amount be appropriated for the coming year. Although prices on nearly everything needed at the Home have advanced in the past year, and last winter was an unusually severe one, making our fuel bills much higher than any winter before, still, the Home has been kept up to the same high standard of excellence, and we have not only made some necessary improvements, and purchased new furniture to replace old, but met all obligations of the Home, and have a small balance in the fund to turn back to the Grand Lodge.

The expenditures for the year, by months, have been as follows:

October, 1911	$1,918.92
November, 1911	1,397.75
December, 1911	1,756.78
January, 1912	3,629.72
February, 1912	1,637.69
March, 1912	2,000.48
April, 1912	2,464.98
May, 1912	1,960.26
June, 1912	1,576.59
July, 1912	1,534.98

August, 1912	1,624.28	
September, 1912	2,621.25	$24,123.68
Cash in hands of Superintendent October 1, 1912		32.21
Balance in hands of Board Treasurer October 1, 1912		89.79
		$24,245.68
Our appropriation was	$24,000.00	
Superintendent's balance October 1, 1911	36.26	
Received from lodges for funeral expenses advanced	209.42	$24,245.68

Monthly statements, tabulated to show to whom and for what purpose money is paid, are now being made out, and these, with receipted vouchers with itemized bills attached, are gone over and checked out monthly by the committee, and are now on file at the Home for reference. A card index system for keeping accounts has been introduced and will furnish a ready and accurate reference for the details as to cost, quantity and character of every item purchased.

3. The general health of the membership has been good. We have had no epidemics or serious cases of illness. Afflictions, incident to old age are about all we have to contend, with an occasional accident from falls. During the year fourteen (14) men and one (1) woman died. Our sick wards are in charge of Miss H. E. Lynch, a graduate nurse, and one man assistant, and the services rendered have been highly satisfactory. One or two of our members render valuable and timely aid with our sick and for which services we thank them. Dr. Davidson, of Sullivan, still continues to give us very satisfactory service as our Home physician, and has become a necessary part of our Home staff. The doctor's report is hereto attached and is well worth a careful perusal. Our several chronic cases continue to grow worse, and require more and more attention, as the years go by, and the need of an equipped hospital for these, and the many other afflicted ones we turn away, is more and more apparent each year. The Committee on Admissions was compelled, during the year, to decline several applications coming from the helpless and afflicted, because we had no hospital accommodations—in one case the old brother was down with inflammatory rheumatism and his old wife a helpless paralytic. It a deplorable fact that the Masons of Illinois make no provision for the care of the physically helpless Masons, their wives and widows.

4. A card index is now in use for keeping a ready and accurate record of all applications for admission and their disposition, as well as a record of membership, and is now complete from the date the Home

opened to the present date. The cards record the history of the member from date admitted to date of death, dismissal or withdrawal. One set is kept at the Home and a duplicate set by the chairman of the Committee on Admissions.

5. The lease on the Home farm expired March 1, 1912; no new one was made but the farm was taken over by the Grand Lodge and is now operated by the Board. From the special appropriation made by the Grand Lodge, and balance on hand from rents of 1911, it has been stocked and equipped. Brother Dixon kindly consented to take charge of it and his report is attached hereto, reference to which is made for a detailed account of what has been done. All the stock owned by the Home, with considerable other personal property, purchased from the Home Fund, was turned over to the Farm, and stands as a charge against it to the extent in value of about $1,000. A full list of this property appears in Brother Dixon's report.

6. Some of the improvements—paid for out of the general fund and now being contracted, are as follows:

A new concrete walk from the Administration building to the road—eight feet wide and about four hundred (400) feet long—to take the place of the old one that never was properly laid, and a large farm scale for weighing coal and other heavy articles purchased—all very necessary and needed improvements.

7. From the surplus in the Entertainment Fund, has been purchased an eighty (80) foot steel flag-staff and it is now in course of erection; it is similar to the one at the Home at LaGrange. Through Bro. George McKenzie, its Secretary, Pleiades Lodge No. 478, of Chicago, presented the Home with a very handsome sixteen (16) foot flag, for which the Home again tenders it sincere thanks. Through Brother William B. McKinley, of Champaign, the Home was made a weather signal station and equipped with suitable flags. Weather reports are received daily. Our big flag will fly on all appropriate occasions, and, daily, the weather signals will be run up. Attention to the flags will be interesting work for one or two of our members.

8. Chicago Lodge No. 437 and Standard Lodge No. 873, presented the Home with ($50.00) fifty dollars, to be known as the "Delmar D. Darrah" Fund, for the purchase of books, and with the money was received a supply of handsomely engraved book plates. Books will be purchased in due course. We hope other lodges will follow this example. We take this occasion to again thank the lodges for this gift.

9. Our dead, if not taken away for burial by the lodges, are laid to rest in our Home lot in the cemetery adjoining the city of Sullivan.

The lot is 53 by 104 feet, and eighteen (18) lie buried there. Small markers, of uniform cost and size, are placed at each grave. We hope that, eventually, the craft will be sufficiently interested to erect a large and handsome monument in the center of the lot. Some brother, out of the kindness of his heart, had erected over the grave of one of our deceased members, a marker larger and more expensive than those we have placed—the Committee had no knowledge of this until it was done —it has given rise to the remark that probably a more distinguished Mason lies buried there. The uniform appearance of the lot is broken. We trust, that, hereafter, brethren who contemplate the erection of tombstones in the Home Cemetery lot will first consult the Committee.

10. We take this occasion to again thank Sullivan Lodge No. 764 for its many fraternal courtesies, among which is the burial of our dead with the usual ceremonies of the craft. On one occasion last winter this lodge performed the ceremonies when the temperature was 24 degrees below zero. While Sullivan Lodge does not ask, nor expect, any recognition for this service—we deplore the fact that only one lodge has ever written it in appreciation of this courtesy. Brethren don't forget your member just as soon as he gets to the Home—and don't forget what is due from you when some other lodge buries him.

11. We have a contract with the undertaker at Sullivan for the funeral expenses. The bill is sent to the lodge and if not paid promptly is advanced from the funds, and credited back when the lodge pays the Home. This has been the custom since the Home opened and lodges, have uniformily paid without protest. The contract price is now fifty dollars ($50), and the service good. Money left by members who die at the Home is sent to the R.W. Grand Secretary—generally a very small amount.

12. Believing that it might be of interest to the Board, and to the craft generally, to have the information, the following statistics are presented, and cover from the date the Home opened, in 1904, to the present date:

The total number of applications receive for admission were—268
Disposed of as follows:

Approved—Men	163	
Women	55	
Children	7	
	——	225
Declined—Men	25	
Women	7	
	——	32

Withdrawn—Men	7		
Women	1		
		8	
Pending—Men	3	3	
			268
Of those whose applications for membership were approved—			
Came to the Home—Men	140		
Women	46		
Children	7		
		193	
Failed to come—Men	21		
Women	10		
		31	
Pending—Men		1	
		225	
Of those who came to the Home—			
Died—Men	57		
Women	6		
		63	
Withdrew—Men	6		
Women	6		
		12	
Discharged—Men	13		
Women	5		
		18	
Transferred—Children		6	
In the Home this date—Men	63		
Women	30		
Children	1	94	
			193
Applications were declined for the following reasons—			
Were helpless or needed constant medical attention:			
Men	14		
Women	2		
		16	
Had real estate or income—Men	8		
Women	2		
		10	
Habitual drunkard—Men		1	
Had homes—no occasion to come—Men	1		
Women	3		
		4	
Duration of lodge membership too short—Men		1	
		32	

In the last four years a great many inquiries have come from lodges and Masons for particulars as to the admission of the sick and helpless, from whom no formal applications were had, and admission to these was declined by letter.

Members were discharged from the Home for reasons as follows:

Insane—Men	10		
Women	2		
		12	
Insubordination—Men	2		
Women	2		
		4	
Tuberculosis—Men	1		
Came into funds—Women	1		
			18

Several of the insane came to the Home in that condition, although otherwise represented by the lodge; some of these were adjudged insane, at Sullivan, and sent to the hospital—others were sent back to their lodges.

Since the Home opened application have been received from 179 lodges in all. Of the 268 applications received—88 came from Chicago lodges and 180 from lodges outside of Chicago. The present membership come from 73 different lodges—32 from Chicago lodges and 62 from lodges outside of Chicago. Many of the members of the Home belong to the Chapter, Council, Commandery, Consistory and Shrine. Of the 63 who died at the Home, many came to us sick and in need of medical attention—although otherwise represented. We took them all in and gave them the very best care and attention our limited accommodations afforded, waiving the rules of admission for their benefit.

13. For the year ending October 1, 1912, and included in the foregoing statistics, applications were received to the number of 39, and disposed of as follows:

Approved—Men	23		
Women	5		
		28	
Declined—Men	5		
Women	2		
		7	
No action—Men	1		
Now pending—Men	3		
			39

14. The customary very complete and interesting report of Brother Hovey, Superintendent, is hereto attached, and contains many details not covered in this report. A careful perusal of it is recommended. Brother Hovey reports all money received for the Christmas or Entertainment Fund, and also funds received from sale of junk and sundries. A draft for balance in the Miscellaneous Fund, payable to the Grand Secretary, is attached to the statement.

15. Special appropriations were made by the Grand Lodge for improvements and repairs as follows—for water system, $5,450; for repairs and painting, $2,900, and for cisterns, $850. The plans and specifications were prepared, and the work supervised by Messrs. Deal & Ginzel, architects, of Lincoln. Contracts were let early in the year, and the work is now practically completed but not fully paid for—a balance still remains in each fund which should remain with the Treasurer of the Board to meet payments of balance on contracts and pay for minor things for which bills have not yet been received. The balances on hand will be sufficient to meet every outstanding obligation. There were many unavoidable delays in this work which accounts for the fact that it is not now fully completed. It is now expected that everything will be finished inside of the next thirty days. Among the improvements made are the following:

Water system—a 40,000 gallon steel tank, elevated 60 feet, has been erected—it is large enough to hold several days' supply, and high enough to furnish ample pressure; pipe connections made with tank and wells and a whole lot of new connections made in the buildings—practically all outside pipe connections had to be rebuilt; two good wells put down; a wind pump placed over one well—this will be used to fill the tank in favorable weather and thus save expense of running the steam pump; a modern steam pump placed in the other well; a small engine installed for pumping, and a whole lot of minor things done. The plant is necessarily large because we need a lot of water—the daily consumption being about 6,000 gallons. The system is not yet in full operation—a few finishing touches are needed—the next thirty days will see it completed.

Cisterns. Two large cisterns have been built, with filters, and connections made with downpipes of buildings and to the laundry. Our architects assure us that a sufficient quantity of rain water will be stored to fully supply the laundry. We have heretofore used hard water in the laundry and soap bills have been enormous—with the use of soft water it is expected that enough will be saved on soap in three years to pay the cost of this improvement.

Repairs. The walls and ceilings of the Administration building have been handsomely and artistically painted; all outside wood work painted;

considerable repairing done to roofs; the porch, on first building erected, practically rebuilt—it needed it because the wood work was about all gone, and a lot of carpenter work done inside of the buildings.

STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENT FROM SPECIAL FUNDS.

Appropriation for water system		$5,450.00
Paid out—		
For wells and concrete work thereon	$1,001.00	
For steel tank and concrete footings	2,028.75	
For plumbing	425.00	
For machinery	660.70	
		$4,115.45
Balance in the fund		$1,334.55
Appropriation for repairs		$2,900.00
Paid out—		
For plastering	$ 50.95	
Painting	1,363.95	
Carpenter work	300.00	
Metal work	425.00	
		$2,139.90
Balance in fund		$760.10
Appropriation for cisterns		$ 850.00
Paid out—		
For masonry work	$ 700.00	
For metal work	141.70	
		$ 841.70
Balance in fund		$8.30

The amount remaining in each special fund will be needed to pay unpaid balances on contracts, and to pay bills, not yet presented, for work and material, and pay architect's fee, and therefore should remain with the Treasurer of the Board to meet these obligations.

Receipted vouchers, with itemized bills attached, are on file at the Home and reference is made to them for details of expenditures.

16. The sincere thanks of the Home are tendered to lodges and individuals who have so kindly remembered it during the year—the many gifts of money and needed and useful articles are appreciated, and we are gratified to know that the Home has so many friends and well wish-

ers. Not enough of the brethren visit the Home—an invitation is extended to all—you are fraternally asked to come and see what a splendid institution you are supporting.

17. Regular monthly meetings have been held, at the home, by the Committee, and have been uniformly harmonious, and special meeting held when the business required. Fraternally submitted,

HENRY W. BERKS,
JAS. A. STEELE,
W. A. DIXON,
Committee.

October 3, 1912.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF ILLINOIS MASONIC HOME, SULLIVAN, FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1912.

SULLIVAN, ILL., September 30, 1912.

To the President and Members of the Illinois Masonic Homes Board:

My Dear Brothers:—Herewith is my report for the year ending September 30, 1912, inclusive. Your old boys and girls who compose the Home family at the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan, Illinois, have passed another mile stone in their lives.

In most respects it has been a happy year. We have had our share of the sunshine and joys of life and have much, very much to be thankful for.

On October 30, we had a hallowe'en party that was a most joyous affair. The old boys and girls appeared in all sorts of costumes and disguises. The evening was one of pleasure and one and all voted it a complete success.

The Wehrmann Quartette gave us a splendid concert. The Sullivan Band gave us an evening of fine music.

Our Thanksgiving Day was one of real thanksgiving on the part of our Home Family. The dinner was faultless and there was nothing to mar the pleasure of the day.

A few days before Christmas the Superintendent called the family together in the reading room, and asked them to decide by their vote whether they should have presents given them or have the cash to do with as they pleased. The vote was a unit for cash, and the vote for the dinner was for a turkey Christmas dinner. In accordance with their wishes each member was given a crisp new two dollar bill and a box of choice candies. The dinner was all that could be expected of a real turkey Christmas dinner, and the day was one long to be remembered.

We are indebted to our brothers and friends as follows:

To Bro. James A. Steele for the following magazines for year: Success, Ladies' Home Companion, Cosmopolitan, Ladies' Home Journal, Everybody's, American and Pacific Monthly.

Garden City Lodge No. 141, Chicago, one hundred pounds candy.

Wiley M. Egan Chapter 126, R.A.M., Chicago, four boxes cigars.

John Corson Smith Lodge No. 944, Chicago, ten pounds smoking tobacco, and large box candies.

J. H. Bannon, 35 South DesPlaines street, Chicago, account Bro. Frank McCabe, one washing machine.

The following books were donated by our brother, Samuel F. White: Old Cato, Boller Dictionary, Ridpath's History of the United States, New World Heroes, Stanley's Story of Through the Wilds of Africa, Sages and Heroes of the Revolution, A Romance of the West Indies, Remarks by Bill Nye, Pictorial History of America, Building the Nation, The Management and Diseases of Dogs, The American Republic, The Life of Wm. McKinley, Living Thoughts, Centeola, The Memoirs of a Water Drinker, The Story of Man, Ten Thousand a Year, Thrift. Golden Rod, Wild Northern Scenes, The Moss Rose, Autographs and Portraits of Presidents and Cabinets, Character Building, The Rebel Chief, Col. Robert G. Ingersoll's Forty-four Lectures Complete, The Forrester's Club, Chicago, The Holy Bible, Dare Gallery of Bible Illustrations, A Wounded Name, Fish and Fishing, Talks on Nature, The Romance of the Revolution, Crayon Papers, God and Man, What the Word Believes, The National Standard Dictionary, Arnoth's Elements of Physics, Between Two Sins, Our Whole Country or the Past and Present of the United States, The Martyrs and Heroes of Illinois, "Festus," The Speaking Parrots, One Small Bible, Mackey's Encyclopedia, Shakespeare, The World's Atlas, Chess Hand Book, Oil Regions of Pennsylvania.

From James Penman Craig, Peoria, Illinois, one box magazines.

From Henry F. Comstock, Chicago, one box pictures.

From W. W. Arthur, Garden City No. 141, Chicago, one box magazines.

Mrs. Lucy Summerline and friends, Mattoon, lot Saturday Evening Posts.

From Chas. Rohr, John Gorrard and Jeff Kinyon, Naperville, Ill., cabbage plants, tomato plants and flowers.

Wiley M. Egan Chapter No. 126, Chicago, through Bro. George McKinzie, forty-seven boxes candy and three boxes cigars.

From F. M. Pierce, manager Manhattan Supply Company, Chicago, the following books: The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard, The American Year Book 1903, The Complete History of the United States—Two Volumes, The Civil War in Song and Story, The Leading Facts of English History, Bracebridge Hall, Gems of Romance, Our Islands and Their People—Two Volumes, Outline of Literature, The Professor's Daughter, We and Our Neighbors, Soper's Elocutionary Reading, The Life of Paul Jones, Sherman and His Campaign, The White Slaves of England, English Traits, The Mechanic's Own Books, The Twin Hells, Green Mountain Boys, Solar Electric Distribution, Works of Edgar A. Poe, Eminent Modern Statesmen, The Popular Atlas of the World, Campbell's History of the World's Columbian Exposition, "Andrews" Morgan Horses, Blue Book of State of Illinois, Lives and Graves of Presidents, Biographies of Blaine and Logan, Washington to Lincoln, Uncle Sam's Island Possessions, Lossing's Field Book of the Revolution, Byron's Poetical Works, Harper's History of the Civil War, Magnus Standard Horse and Stock Book, Heroic Women of History, Cuba's Struggle Against Spain, Columbian Exposition Album, Peg. Woffington, World's Work—1908-9-11, World of Today, McClure's, Everybody's and Sunset Magazines.

From W. W. Arthur, one box magazines.

From Charles Catlin Lodge, Notes of Oriental Lodge No. 33, Chicago.

To Sullivan Lodge No. 764, Sullivan, Illinois, we wish to pay our tribute of love and affection and our sincere thanks for favors and courtesies shown this Home family.

During the eight years of our Home life they have given a Masonic burial to every member of the Home family who has been buried in our Home burial grounds. In rain or snow, hot or cold weather, they have laid aside their own work and turned out to lay away our dead for us and we wish them to know that we deeply and sincerely appreciate their kindness and brotherly love.

Through the courtesy of our friends and the publishers we receive Bloomington Daily Bulletin, Bloomington Weekly Pantagraph, Decatur Herald, Reynolds Press, Galesburg Evening News, Peoria Journal, Peoria Star, Orange Judd Farmer, Wallace Farmer, Farm Journal, Sullivan Democrat, Sullivan Progress, Moultrie County News, Masonic Chronicler, Voice of Masonry, Illinois Freemason, Eastern Star Journal, and Square and Compass, Through the Influence of our Bro. B. W. Shibley, the publishers of the Chicago Examiner and Chicago American furnish us with a supply of these papers every day.

During the year we have lost the following members of our Home family:

John W. Apperson died at 7 p. m. October 6, 1911. His remains were taken to Paris, Illinois, and given masonic burial by Bloomfield Lodge No. 148, of which he was a member.

Levi Sisk, died at 8:30 a. m., February 21, 1912. His remains were taken to Paris, Ill., and given masonic burial by Prairie Lodge No. 77, of which he was a member.

Thomas H. Phillips died at 9:30 a. m. October 2, 1911. His remains were taken to Murphysboro, Ill., and given masonic burial by Murphysboro Lodge No. 498, of which he was a member.

Hester Mepham died September 29, 1911, at 12:30 a. m. Her remains were taken to Pekin, Ill., and buried beside her husband who was a member of Empire Lodge No. 126, Pekin, Ill.

Gabriel Clark died February 26, 1912, 10:30 a. m. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds. He was given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

John Gregor died at 7 p. m. February 29, 1912. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds and given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

John T. Fitzpatrick died 1:10 a. m. April 1, 1912. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds and given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

Wm. Leeper died at 12:15 a. m. December 30, 1911. His remains were taken to Chicago and there buried by Oriental Lodge No. 33, of which he was a member.

Aaron Hall died at 12:40 a. m. April 9, 1912. He was a member of Ionic Lodge No. 312, Decatur, Ill. His remains were taken to Loami, Ill., and there buried by Loami Lodge No. 450.

George H. Reynolds died at 4:30 a. m. February 27, 1912. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds and given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

Henry F. Maagensen died in Englewood Hospital June 2, 1912. He was buried in Mt. Olive Cemetery, Chicago, by Hesperia Lodge No. 411, of which he was a member.

Emil Skagin died at 10:45 p. m. January 5, 1912. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds and given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

David J. Kniss died at 6:30 a. m. January 23, 1912. His remains were taken to Scotland, Ill., and there buried by Scotland Lodge No. 743, of of which he was a member.

Erastus D. Wheeler died at 4 a. m. April 5, 1912. His remains were taken to Scotland, Ill., and there buried by Scotland Lodge No. 743, of which he was a member.

Frank McCabe died at 1:30 p. m. April 21, 1912. He was a member of Garden City Lodge No. 141, Chicago. He was laid to rest in our Home burial grounds and given masonic burial by Sullivan Lodge No. 764.

Three members left the Home to live elsewhere.

Two members were discharged.

Dr. W. P. Davidson, our Home physician, has been faithful and untiring in his attention to our sick ones. He visits the Home regularly every Wednesday and responds promptly to our calls.

Miss H. E. Lynch, our efficient nurse, takes good care of those committed to her care. She is kind, careful and attentive.

The following members compose our Home family:

Name.	Age.	Date Admitted.	Lodge.	No.	Location.
Mrs. A. W. Philhower	72	Nov. 23, 1904	Mattoon	260	Mattoon
Alexander Masters	74	Dec. 7, 1904	Central	71	Springfield
Mary J. Masters	74	Dec. 7, 1904	Central	71	Springfield
L. N. Roland	87	Dec. 7, 1904	Virden	161	Virden
Henry F. Birely	83	Dec. 27, 1904	Robert Burns	112	Keithsburg
Chas. H. Hubbell	81	Dec. 27, 1904	Lancaster	106	Glasford
Hiram H. Carpenter	90	Dec. 29, 1904	Oriental	33	Chicago
Thos. Cunningham	62	Feb. 15, 1905	Mahomet	220	Mahomet
Geo. N. VanHouten	83	May 1, 1905	Landmark	422	Chicago
John S. Kistler	66	May 12, 1905	Preemption	755	Preemption
A. D. Rundell	81	June 28, 1905	Acacia	67	LaSalle
A. J. Lundquist	83	Oct. 3, 1905	Greenview	63	Greenview
Wm. C. McDugle	83	Oct. 16, 1905	Clinton	19	Petersburg
Phillippa Nelson	74	Nov. 23, 1905	Pleiades	478	Chicago
Geo. McKissick	60	Feb. 2, 1906	Rock Island	658	Rock Island
Anna M. Alexander	78	Mch. 31, 1906	Ionic	312	Decatur
James W. Hoover	64	June 29, 1906	Greenup	125	Greenup
Orilia McAllister	75	June 29, 1907	Genoa	228	Genoa
Geo. W. Hamer	82	Sept. 5, 1907	Tyrian	333	Springfield
John W. Walker	80	Oct. 19, 1907	New Hope	620	Livingston
O. H. Bourne	75	Jan. 29, 1908	Streator	607	Streator
Allen Newnham	77	Feb. 1, 1908	Barry	34	Barry
Sarah Cain	79	Feb. 18, 1908	Blue Mound	682	Blue Mound
Mary Hamer	79	April 15, 1908	Tyrian	333	Springfield
W. H. Maroe	53	April 20, 1908	Kendrick	430	Timewell
Louis Klein	37	April 28, 1908	Keystone	629	Chicago
Thomas Gonio	73	May 6, 1908	Covenant	526	Chicago
Arthur M. Kelly	62	May 11, 1908	Atlanta	165	Atlanta
A. W. Pohlman	58	May 11, 1908	Temple	46	Peoria
Harrison Orr	74	May 12, 1908	Toledo	834	Toledo
Thomas B. Sprouse	67	May 14, 1908	Carmi	272	Carmi
Robt J. Dauphiney	70	May 18, 1908	Garfield	686	Chicago
Fred Yunker	71	May 22, 1908	Wilmington	208	Wilmington
W. H. Snell	65	May 26, 1908	Benjamin	297	Camp Point

Name.	Age.	Date Admitted.	Lodge.	No.	Location.
Ernest Adam	81	Sept. 3, 1908	Herman	39	Quincy
Nels. Anderson	82	Sept. 12, 1908	Lakeside	739	Chicago
Ellen Bruner	73	Oct. 3, 1908	Piasa	27	Alton
L. B. Phettyplace	69	Dec. 2, 1908	D. C. Cregier	643	Chicago
Maria Carter	85	Dec. 10, 1908	Landmark	422	Chicago
S. R. Stoddard	79	Jan. 4, 1909	Effingham	49	Effingham
Jas. H. Champlin	64	April 19, 1909	Capron	575	Capron
Nellie C. Champlin	50	April 19, 1909	Capron	575	Capron
Mary J. Dauphiney	56	May 7, 1909	Garfield	686	Chicago
Bicknell Fancher	82	May 8, 1909	Dearborn	510	Chicago
E. N. Baker	74	May 18, 1909	Wade-Barney	512	Bloomington
Elizabeth Baker	61	June 29, 1909	Wade-Barney	512	Bloomington
G. A. Titus	65	June 25, 1909	Illinois	263	Peoria
Wm. A. Young	83	July 22, 1909	Hope	162	Sparta
Mollie A. Walder	73	July 30, 1909	Cairo	237	Cairo
Charles Maroe	15	July 30, 1909	Kendrick	430	Timewell
L. J. Kolor	64	Aug. 30, 1909	Pleiades	478	Chicago
Mary J. Hurlbut	71	Oct. 18, 1909	Englewood	690	Chicago
Emily C. Hansell	64	Nov. 6, 1909	Lincoln Park	611	Chicago
Martha Lawrence	76	Nov. 18, 1909	Cleveland	211	Chicago
Catherine Taylor	75	Dec. 2, 1909	Garden City	141	Chicago
Geo. W. McIntire	67	Mch. 1, 1910	Vesper	584	Galesburg
Ellen A. Phillips	65	Apr. 15, 1910	Murphysboro	493	Murphysboro
Chas. S. Wiggington	78	May 10, 1910	Robinson	250	Robinson
Wm. P. Mattison	86	June 27, 1910	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
Luther K. Tucker	80	July 30, 1910	Geneva	139	Geneva
Mrs. E. A. Ferguson	80	Aug. 16, 1910	Ionic	312	Decatur
Martha Humble	77	Sept. 9, 1910	Iuka	510	Iuka
Daniel Martin	83	Nov. 17, 1910	Cambridge	49	Cambridge
Bushnell Strong	76	Jan. 4, 1911	Kilwinning	311	Chicago
Richard M. Moore	70	Mch. 30, 1911	Triluminar	767	Chicago
Alice T. Moore	68	Mch. 30, 1911	Triluminar	767	Chicago
Martha Smith	77	June 7, 1911	Cairo	237	Cairo
Bessie Green	72	Aug. 10, 1911	Covenant	526	Chicago
Sidney B. Weldon	71	Sept. 28, 1911	E. St. Louis	504	E. St. Louis
Susan Weldon	68	Sept. 28, 1911	E. St. Louis	504	E. St. Louis
Tom Gorbutt	76	Nov. 6, 1911	Wm.B.Warren	209	Chicago
Rosalinda A. Gorbutt	58	Nov. 6, 1911	Wm.B.Warren	209	Chicago
Elizabeth Weddle	59	Nov. 10, 1911	Pana	226	Pana
Wm. W. Wallace	75	Nov. 23, 1911	Centralia	201	Centralia
John Burke	62	Dec. 4, 1911	Brighton Pk	854	Chicago
George Trimble	77	Mch. 8, 1911	Lewiston	104	Lewiston
Amanda R. Davis	81	Aug. 24, 1911	Jeffersonville	460	Jeffersonville
Harry Thorne	71	Jan. 1, 1912	Mattoon	260	Mattoon
A. V. Knickerbocker	73	Jan. 10, 1912	Euclid	65	Naperville
Sam'l F. White	83	Jan. 13, 1912	Blair	393	Chicago
Augusta G. White	86	Jan. 13, 1912	Blair	393	Chicago
J. H. Lively	70	Feb. 29, 1912	Oblong	644	Oblong
Dan'l S. O'Connell	84	Mch. 7, 1912	W. B. Warren	209	Chicago
Jas. S. Patchin	84	Mch. 9, 1912	Dearborn	310	Chicago
James Prichard	77	Mch. 28, 1912	Morning Star	734	Canton
Richard Cole	83	Apr. 10, 1912	Richard Cole	697	Chicago
Catherine Vincent	82	May 10, 1912	Hardin	44	Mt. Sterling
John J. Withrow	73	May 10, 1912	Occidental	40	Ottawa
Niels Larson	72	May 15, 1912	Apollo	642	Chicago
Mary M. Feirstine	84	June 27, 1912	Shiloh	397	Troy Grove
Chas. A. Olson	71	Aug. 22, 1912	Landmark	422	Chicago
Hattie Olson	70	Aug. 22, 1912	Landmark	422	Chicago
Frank Plischke	75	Sept. 23, 1912	Landmark	422	Chicago
Francis M. Evans	74	Sept. 27, 1912	O'Fallon	576	O'Fallon

RECAPITULATION.

Membership Oct. 1, 1911	85	Died during year	15
Received during year	29	Withdrawn	3
		Discharged	2
		Membership Sept. 30, 1912	94
Total	114	Total	114

Special Entertainment Fund.

RECEIPTS

1911.			
Oct.	1.	Cash on hand	$181.19
Oct.	23.	Shabbona Lodge No. 374, Shabbona	5.00
Nov.	21.	Olive Branch No. 38, Danville	10.00
Dec.	7.	Rio No. 685, Rio	5.00
Dec.	9.	Columbian No. 819, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	11.	Wrights Grove No. 779, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	11.	Austin No. 850, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	11.	Triluminar No. 767, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	11.	York Chapter No. 148, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	12.	Cicero Chapter 180, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	12.	Apollo Commandery No. 1, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	13.	Wheaton Lodge No. 269, Wheaton	5.00
Dec.	13.	Bohemian Lodge 943, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	15.	Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	16.	Welcome Lodge No. 916, Chicago	15.00
Dec.	16.	Wiley M. Egan Chapter No. 126, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	16.	Greenville Lodge No. 245, Greenville	5.00
Dec.	16.	Mason Lodge No. 217, Mason	5.00
Dec.	18.	Pleidaes Lodge No. 478, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	18.	Waubansia Lodge No. 160, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	18.	Ancient Craft Lodge No. 907, Chicago	20.00
Dec.	18.	Oriental Lodge No. 33, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	19.	Delavan Lodge No. 156, Delavan	5.00
Dec.	19.	Chicago Lodge No. 437, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	20.	Gothic Lodge No. 852, E. St. Louis	10.00
Dec.	21.	Murphysboro Lodge No. 498, Murphysboro	5.00
Dec.	22.	Banner Blue Lodge No. 924, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	23.	E. St. Louis Lodge No. 504, E. St. Louis	25.00
Dec.	23.	Avondale Lodge No. 921, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	23.	Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 867, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	23.	Lakeside Lodge No. 739, Chicago	5.00
Dec.	30.	Rutland Lodge No. 477, Rutland	25.00
Dec.	30.	Bee Hive Lodge No. 909, Chicago	25.00
Dec.	30.	Siloam Council Lodge No. 53, Chicago	10.00
1912.			
Jan.	5.	Brighton Park Lodge No. 854, Chicago	25.00
Jan.	8.	Crescent Lodge No. 895, Chicago	10.00
		Cash	5.00

1911.			
Dec.	27.	Justice Lodge No. 941, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	27.	Lincoln Park Chapter, Chicago	10.00
Dec.	29.	Temple Lodge No. 46, Peoria	25.00
		Cash	5.00
June	11.	Marine Lodge No. 355, Marine	5.00
		Total	$761.19

DISBURSEMENTS

1911.			
Dec.	23.	Merchants & Farmers State Bank, new two-dollar bills	$200.00
Dec.	23.	Rev. J. W. Kilborn	10.00
Dec.	23.	Rev. A. T. Casely	10.00
Dec.	23.	Rev. A. T. Cory	10.00
1912.			
Jan.	11.	Guy W. Urich, Christmas goods	.95
Jan.	11.	Ned Eden, Christmas goods	1.90
Jan.	11.	J. R. McClure, Christmas tree	2.50
Jan.	11.	Mike Finley, Christmas candies	55.90
Jan.	12.	Guy Urich, Christmas goods	2.35
Feb.	24.	Dr. E. Beatty, Passion Play	7.00
Feb.	24.	John Gauger, Passion Play	6.00
Feb.	24.	Brugh Werner, Passion Play	5.00
Feb.	24.	Bowling Jones, Passion Play	.50
Feb.	24.	E. O. Dunscomb, Passion Play	5.00
July	1.	American Express Co., fire works	25.00
Aug.	7.	Deal & Ginzell, flag pole	204.30
Sept.	20.	Deal & Ginzell, flag pole	8.00
Aug.	9.	Sullivan Auto Co., band concert for Home	5.00
Aug.	9.	Mike Finley, band concert for Home	2.00
Aug.	9.	Anna Daugherty, band concert for Home	2.50
			$563.90
Balance on hand with Supt., Sept. 30, 1912			197.29
			$761.19

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS

1911.			
Oct.	28.	Wabash Railroad Co., refund acct. damaged casting	$ 4.70
Dec.	9.	Refund acct. funeral T. H. Phillips	6.12

Dec.	9.	From General Fund acct. error	10.06
Dec.	12.	From C. & E. I. R. R. Co., acct. damage to disinfectant	3.50
Dec.	12	Sold bacon grease	2.80
Dec.	20.	Sold bacon grease	1.50
Dec.	22.	Sold egg cases	.50
1912.			
Jan.	8.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Jan.	19.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Jan.	27.	Sold two small calves	5.34
Feb.	1.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Feb.	6.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Feb.	19.	Sold ducks	3.69
Feb.	20.	Sold bacon grease	1.50
Feb.	21.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Mch.	11.	Returned grate bar to Erie City Iron Works	5.11
April	30.	Sold bacon grease	6.00
May	10.	Sold bacon grease	1.50
June	5.	Sold bacon grease	1.50
Sept.	22.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
July	26.	Sold bacon grease	5.40
Aug.	8.	Sold bacon grease	1.25
Aug.	15.	Sold bacon grease	3.00
Sept.	25.	Sold tomatoes	18.00

Total (a draft for which is attached, payable to Grand Sec.) .. $ 99.47

The Delmar D. Darrah Book Fund.

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

June 13, 1912. From Chicago Lodge No. 437 and Standard Lodge No. 873, of Chicago, Ill. $50.00

We have been in the hands of the carpenters, painters, decorators, well diggers, cistern builders, tank builders and wind mill men all summer and as a result our Home has been all torn up during these summer months. This work is now well nigh completed and we will soon have the grounds all leveled up and the machinery running in proper form. A cordial invitation is extended to our Brother Masons to visit us and see for themselves just what a splendid homelike home we have.

Yours fraternally,

Chas. L. Hovey, *Supt.*

Sullivan, Ill., October 1, 1912.

To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Homes:

I beg leave to make the following report of the general health of the members of the Masonic Home at Sullivan for the year ending September 25, 1912.

We are still trying to care for the sick members in the same cramped quarters. I made application in my last report to you for a hospital sufficiently large and modern to care for the members properly. One more year in this work has not changed my view in this matter, by referring to my report of last year you can see what is required in the way of a hospital. This work is becoming greater every year, more members are on the sick list as they get older. Some meet with accident, others contract diseases peculiar to people of their age.

One especially sad case was that of Bro. Charles Wilson, sent to us from Bloomington, a member of Clark Lodge No. 603, at Martinville, Ill. He is a young man with a family, living in Bloomington. He was manager of a creamery and worked so hard his health gave out and he was sent to us to care for. On his way down here he became unconscious, but after two or three days at the Home he came to himself and was a very pleasant brother to care for and was anxious to get well and return to his family and business. We treated and cared for him here. On May 12, 1912, Dr. Lewis, representing his lodge, Miss Lynch and myself accompanied Brother Wilson to the Presbyterian Hospital, of Chicago, for treatment under Dr. Rothstein, a nerve specialist at the Rush Medical College, where he remained for a period of about four weeks. He improved under the treatment but was sent back to us before a cure was effected and did pretty well for a few weeks but very suddenly he became insane and was sent to the asylum at Bartonville.

I have treated about sixty-five cases in the hospital department, and some few cases in their private rooms, on account of not having sufficient room to care for them in the hospital. We have had one death among the sisters the past year, and fourteen brothers have died. We have several helpless brothers with us who need almost constant care. We have had a few accidents, not many. One brother was badly burned in a gas explosion; one fell down in the basement of our court house, broke one limb and received a very severe scalp wound from which he is now fully recovered. The following is a list of those minor accidents which occurred outside of the hospital, and the dressing extended from three or four days to four months:

Mrs. Hester, cut thumb. (Help.)
Bro. John Kistler, left ankle vericase ulcer.
Cyrus Robinson, hand cut and scratched. (Help.)
Etta Wood, ivy poisoning. (Help.)
Brother Hovey, forehead cut. (Help.)
Brother McDougal, carbuncle on wrist.
Sister Ferguson, cut on head and collies fracture.
Sister Masters, cuts and bruise on eyes and head.
Sister Barnes, burned fingers. (Help.)
Brother Leiper, gash on head.
Jack Kneeling, burned hand. (Help.)
Bill Snyder, burned arm. (Help.)
Brother Carpenter, bruised and contused leg.
Brother Titus, severely burned about the hands.
Asa Cochran, severely burned about face and hands. (Help.)
Brother Cunningham, two gashes on head.
Charlotte Winter, cut end of thumb off.
Brother Martin, cut on hand.
Brother Trimble, cut on hand.
Sister Moore, ear.

People who remained in their rooms longer than allowed and received special attention:

Brother Hamer.
Sister Dauphiney.
Sister Burner.
Fractures and sprains:
Brother Cunningham, fractured leg.
Brother Newnham, fractured thigh.
Sister Burner, sprained angle.
Sister Ferguson, fractured wrist.
Post mortem: John Gregor, March 1, 1912.
Besides innumerable requests for medicine each day.

Every year brings forth more work in the care of the sick and requires competent help. We have with us the past year a very able nurse, Miss Lynch, who has given us very excellent service and always found kind and attentive to the sick. Her assistant, Mr. George Michaels, has worked very hard and always found close to his duties. Bro. C. L. Hovey has been faithful to his duties and always under all circumstances kind and self-sacrificing to the brothers and sisters.

Yours fraternally,

W. P. Davidson,
Home Physician.

Decatur, Ill., October 4, 1912.

To the Board of Trustees, Illinois Masonic Homes:

The committee of one in charge of the farm at Sullivan submits the following first report; funds being available January 16, 1912. The work of securing equipment was first taken up and Bro. C. B. Spooner, of Irving Lodge No. 455, was persuaded to purchase three teams for the Home farm.

These horses were delivered March 1, 1912, and Brother Spooner received $1,138.80 for his services and horses. The addition of freight, shoeing, veterinary service and all incidentals charged to the horse account brings the cost of the six horses to date to $1,203.61 and there has never been a day that they were not worth the money. Brother Spooner gave freely of his time and knowledge and rendered the Grand Lodge valuable service.

The Home contributed one 2-year-old filly to the horse family. This colt was valued at $75, and is now broke to single harness and worth $125. Horses on hand worth $1,328.61.

Harness, made by Geo. W. Vest & Son, of Sullivan, was delivered March 1, 1912; 3 sets of team harness complete except collars, $100. Since March 1 we have added 1 set team harness, 1 set single harness, blankets, whips, nets, pads, collars, etc., the entire expense for harness was $214.70. Now worth $204.82.

Machinery, bought from Craig Bros., of Sullivan, and delivered as needed: One Studebaker wagon, 1 Grt. Western Manure Spreader, 1 Dwagiac disk drill, 1 Sterling disk and truck, 1 tower surface plow, 1 6-shovel plow, 1 Black Hawk planter; 1 lean 120-tooth harrow, 1 Sterling double pulverizer, 2 sulky plows, 1 8-ft. binder, 1 5-ft. mower, for contract price of $675.

Since March 1 we have added 1 feed grinder, 2 hay racks, 1 clover buncher, scoop boards, and a good outfit of small tools, and find the cost of all tools on hand to be $851.59. Now worth, $810.87.

Poultry, worth $50, was moved from the Home to the farm March 1 and has been cared for by Mrs. Cliff with the understanding that one-half the increase was hers individually. In addition to the foundation stock we have bought eggs for setting, incubators, brooders, fencing, houses, and feed for young chicks, in all $71, and the men and teams worked in the poultry yard 42 hours for 1 man and 9 hours for 1 team. $8.10. Total charge to poultry, $129.10. We have sold $19.64 worth and have on hand poultry and eggs worth $128.

The Home sent to the farm 10 cows, 2 heifers, 2 calves, worth $600. This herd produced in the six months, 25,744 lbs. of milk, worth $540.63.

The account with the cows is itemmized as follows:

RECEIPTS

25,744 lbs. of milk	$455.45
Two veal calves	18.87
Butter and buttermilk	1.65
Total receipts	$475.97

CHARGE.

Work	$123.40
Feed	304.85
Total cost	$428.25

Four heifer calves have been added to the herd and we now estimate the stock on hand to be worth $640.

We have not earned rent on the pasture land and interest on the money invested in cows but believe that when the milk used at the Home is fully paid for and the land has received the benefit of the manure from this herd, that the cows will not fail to show a good profit. The largest factor in producing the deficit shown here was not the dollars that were withheld by the Superintendent but the fact that in March, 1912, feed was very high in price and that we had to buy instead of having feed on hand. Next year we will have plenty of feed on hand if present plans mature.

Hogs—Received from the Home March 1, 24 shoats, 2 boars, 4 sows 8 little pigs, 2 stock hogs, worth $250. The hogs have had the slops from the Home and have divided 300 bu. of rotten corn with the poultry. They have had the run of good timber and blue grass pasture and have made good, as follows:

RECEIPTS

Sold 4 hogs	$75.85

CHARGE.

Work	$12.50
Feed	60.00
Total expense	$72.50

We have 66 hogs of all sizes, worth $585, which shows a profit sufficient to pay rent on pasture and interest on the investment and $233.70 profit.

Corn—We found 900 bu. of corn in open rail pens March 1 and picked out 615 bu. that could be used for cows and horses and left about 300 bu. so damaged as to be fit for poultry and hogs if fed in limited quantity only. We considered this corn worth $475 and continued the corn account as follows:

Receipts were nothing.

Charged to corn account—

Seed	$ 23.03
Work	424.30
Total cost	$447.33

We have September 1 about 66 A. of corn in the field, estimated by Mr. Walker to be worth $1,275, showing $352.67 to pay rent on land and interest on investment.

Hay—Used 45 bales found in the Home barn and have since returned twice as much in place of it and eliminate that item from the following summary:

Receipts from hay nothing.

CHARGED TO HAY ACCOUNT.

Hay bought for feed	$187.63
Seed (clover and alfalfa)	132.40
Work in hay	89.80
Total expense	$409.83
We have in the barn, 36 loads of clover worth	$400.00
And 26 bu. of clover, and 1½ of alfalfa seed, worth	280.00
	$680.00

Together with the stack left by the clover huller which will be utilized for cow feed. In preparation for hay harvest in 1913 we have 63 acres of new clover and would be inclined to place a high valuation on that field. We have $270.17 to pay rent on the hay field for this year in spite of the fact that the bills for hay and seed bought last spring were so unusually large.

Oats—March 1, none. Receipts from oats, nothing.

CHARGED TO OATS ACCOUNT.

Bought for feed and seed	$105.17
Paid for seeding oats	20.60
Harvesting and threshing	60.45
Work in oats field	128.80
Total cost	$315.02

For which we have in the bin 2,309 bu. of oats worth $690 and a large stack of straw that will be baled and stored. We have about $375 to pay rent on 50 acres of land and leave the field well seeded with clover.

Wheat—March 1 found 25 acres growing and was compelled to pay $99.90 for the work already done in the wheat field. The items charged to wheat are:

Seeding 25 acres	$ 99.90
Harvesting and threshing	34.07
Work in wheat field	57.55
Total cost	$191.52

(Compromising a claim for $125.)

Received for 303 bu. sold	$272.70
Now in the bin 309 bu. worth	278.10
Total worth	$550.80

And the straw stack. We have $359.28 for rent on the land and 13 acres of the ground is well seeded with new clover for the next harvest. Twelve acres are again planted in wheat.

Work.—Mr. Clarence Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cliff took charge of the farm March 1, 1912, and on March 26 hired another man. These four people have given a very satisfactory service and a visit to the farm will show a wide departure from the conditions that have prevailed there for many years. Except in the pasture fields, weeds are not going to seed this fall.

The combined pay for these people has been $101 a month and the household expenses have been $324.19 for the six months. In addition to the work mentioned in connection with the various headings above they have cared for ditches, fences, buildings, etc., and hauled manure for which the following credits are given: Work, $238.90, and the money spent in care and improvement of the farm, $132.33, making $371.23 exclusive of the work and expense put on.

New Buildings—Built a barn, 42x20, of old materials, except the roof, work $22, money spent $217.68, total cost of this barn $239.68.

May 12, 1912, I contracted with the Indiana Silo Co. for one stave silo, 30x12 ft., to be shipped September 1, 1912, and as all the bills in connection with this building have not been paid I cannot give a complete report regarding it but the indicated costs are:

For silo	$200.00
Transportation charges	5.34
Concrete work	35.00
Building and painting	65.08
Silo completed	$305.42

We hope to have this silo done and filled with winter feed for the cows by the meeting of the Grand Lodge. The new barn is full of good clover hay that would have been stacked out in the weather if the barn had not been built. Let me remind you here, that the new buildings on this farm March 1 were built in 1872 and the old ones some years earlier. They have about served their time and this Grand Lodge need feel no pride in their present condition. Should the plan of possessing and improving this farm continue, some new buildings should be provided soon and should the Grand Lodge seek a tenant for this land it must secure one that has lost his sense of pride or provide him with better accommodations. No good man would live in such poor quarters.

Brother Hovey has been kind to the farm and the people and has given aid and encouragement at all times and in return for his never failing courtesy we have rendered him every assistance in our power. In accord with the belief that the farm is at best but a part of the Home and not a separate undertaking, the teams and produce of the farm have been at his disposal on all occasions regardless of the fact that he was allowed to favor the farm with but $60 a month of his patronage. His stock has been welcome to our pasture fields and feed and the Home has not paid for feed, bedding or pasture furnished, neither are they expected to pay for such things in future. The farm will always have plenty of such to spare and the Home will always be welcome to what we have.

The men and teams from the farm have worked on the Home grounds the equivalent of 50 hours for 1 man and 33 hours for 1 team. They have hauled heavy articles and supplies equal to 93 hours' work for 1 man and 97½ hours' work for 1 team.

Brother Hovey has allowed us to use his team and man in times of great stress and they worked for the farm 64 hours for 1 man and 38 hours for 1 team. He gave us 4 loads of manure, 18 loads of cinders, and 2 loads of old lumber. The Board donated the old ice house and the

old coal house, thus making it possible for us to cover our hay at a very nominal cost. On the whole the favors received from the Home are greater than those returned by the farm and the difference expressed in money is $50.10, but the 5,701 lbs. of milk furnished gratis during the six months will fully balance the account.

We received many favors from Brother Hovey that do not show in the bookkeeping and are not ashamed to state here that we are duly thankful and appreciative. We hope and believe that his successor will appreciate our efforts to please and respond with hearty approval and ready assistance in our farming operations.

INVOICE OF PROPERTY RECEIVED.

Oct. 16, 1911.	Cash from Gurney	$ 542.52
Jan. 16, 1912.	Cash from Gurney	3,600.00
Mch. 1, 1912.	Property from Home	1,000.00
Mch. 1, 1912.	Corn in crib	475.00
Mch. 19, 1912.	Cash from Bathe	150.00
		$5,767.52

INVOICE OF PROPERTY ON HAND.

Horses	$1,328.81
Harness	204.82
Machinery	810.87
Poultry	128.00
Cows	640.00
Hogs (underestimated)	585.00
Corn	1,275.00
Hay and seed	686.00
Oats	690.00
Wheat	278.10
Straw stacks (estimated)	75.00
Permanent improvements	132.33
Shingles and lumber	100.73
Barn	217.68
Silo	305.42
Wheat (12 acres planted)	
Clover (63 acres growing)	
Cash balance	343.02
	$7,800.58
	5,767.52
Indicated profit	$2,033.06

PAID FOR.

Horses and poultry	$1,280.01
Farm improvement	713.82
Harness	214.70
Labor	923.76
Machinery	864.09
Seed	186.62
Feed	270.61
Household expenses	324.19
Personal and incidental	29.77
	$4,807.57

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Total cash received from 1911 funds and rents	$4,292.52
Total cash earnings	848.07
Total cash	$5,140.59
Vouchers 1 to 156 inclusive	4,807.57
Balance	$333.02

Vouchers 1 to 132 have been paid and accompany this report.
Vouchers 133 to 156 issued October 3, 1912, are out, $569.23.

Fraternally submitted,

Farm Supervisor.

CHICAGO, ILL., October 5, 1912.

To Gen. George M. Moulton, President, and the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home: .

Brethren:—Some months ago I was employed by you to act as your attorney to furnish you legal advice and to resist by legal proceedings any effort made by the Board of Education of School District 102 in Cook county, Illinois, to expel or deny the children of school age living in the Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, Illinois, within said district from the free public schools of LaGrange and the privilege of attending said schools without the payment of tuition.

I have promised to make a detailed report of my investigations in this matter to your President. My statement and report follow:

You will permit me to begin at the beginning.

FIRST—OWNERSHIP AND STATUS OF OWNER.

I am informed that the M.W. Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois is the owner of this orphans'

home; that it built the home out of its moneys and that the title to the buildings and grounds is, as a matter of law, vested in said Grand Lodge; that said home is managed through the trustees who are beholden to as the officers and agents of said Grand Lodge.

The principal offices of the said Grand Lodge are not within the county of Cook.

The "Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons" was, by an act of the general assembly of the state of Illinois, approved February 20, 1847, created, declared and constituted, a body politic and corporate by the name, style and description of the "Grand Lodge of Illinois of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons," with the powers to sue and be sued, etc., and to hold and convey real estate, etc.; later by an act of the general assembly of Illinois, approved February 14, 1855, said corporation was again incorporated under the name of "The Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, Free and Accepted Masons," with the same powers as above mentioned and with the power to make "such constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations," etc., "provided that such constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations shall not conflict with the constitution and laws of this state and of the United States."

Also by Section 3 of said act said corporation was given the power to purchase, and hold and convey, real and personal estate, and *"to create a charity and educational fund, a representative fund, a library fund and a Grand Lodge fund, and for no other use or benefits whatever."*

SECOND—ACTS AND CHARGES BY SCHOOL BOARD.

On January 20, 1912, the Board of Education in School District No. 102, adopted certain resolutions making the following charges and statements:

a. That a large amount of money in two years past had been expended for additional school property.

b. That said expenditures were made "by reason of the large number of students from the Masonic Orphans' Home."

c. That none of said children are *bona fide* residents of the said district 102 "but were brought within our district by the institution aforesaid, a corporation, from the following counties."

Then naming fifteen different counties in Illinois.

d. And stated, "It is our opinion that we should give unto said children the same rights and privileges as the children of this district, not, however without the payment of tuition; and it is further our opinion that under the law we could not be compelled to go to the expense of

educating these children without adequate compensation" and then cites eight decisions of six different states of the union, some by the Supreme or highest court and others by inferior courts in support of this proposition "that non-residents of a school district do not acquire a residence therein for common school purposes by becoming inmates of a charitable institution established for their *care, support and education.*"

e. Then after a discursive statement, apparently made for the purpose of justification, said Board resolved "that on and after the first day of February, A. D. 1912, the trustees of said Masonic Orphans' Home will be required to pay for tuition at the rate of $35.08 per capita, per annum less the pro rata of taxes for each pupil attending our schools from said Masonic Orphans' Home, which, with the present attendance, would amount to $2,876.56, and that we give them credit for the total amount of taxes paid by them to our school fund, to-wit, $365.05, leaving a total of $2,511.51." In order that you may read these resolutions in their entirety, if you so desire, I transmit them to you herewith.

Upon the assumption that the children are not residents within the district and within the meaning of the law, the computation as made cannot be justified. Judge Shope, counsel for this board of education, practically admitted that to me. These children are of different ages. They are not all in the same grade of the grammar school. Some are even in the kindergarten. No attempt was made by this board of education to determine the actual per capita cost of educating the children in any one grade. The cost of educating the children in the first grade is not the same, it has been admitted to me, that it is in the eighth grade or the sixth grade, and so on, but this board appears to have lumped the whole matter. I have been informed that they added to the salaries paid teachers the coal and light bills, the amount of money paid each year as interest upon their bonds, or any principal falling due, which money must be paid out of the building fund and not out of the taxes levied for school purposes, pure and simple. The school board has power to levy two kinds of taxes,—one for building purposes and the interest upon their bonds issued for building purposes, and for equipment, and another tax for school purposes, that is, payment of teachers and for heating and lighting. The salaries of teacers vary in the different grades. There are not the same number of children in each grade. The bare statements above made, it seems to me, are sufficient argument upon the incorrectness and unjustness of the per capita rate sought to be fixed by this school board.

THIRD—COMPLEXITY OF THE STATUS OF THESE CHILDREN.

From whichever theory the status of the children of this home may be viewed one is met with much complexity. These children are of all

ages. Unless it be that one, two or more, having the same parentage and coming from the same home, the status or situation in this life of no two of these children is alike.

One has a father dead. One has a mother dead. Another has neither father nor mother, and another has neither brother nor sister. They, each of them, are children of Masons and have come to this home through the medium and request of the various subordinate lodges in the state of Illinois. Some of these children are dependent. Some of them are not. I mean by this that some of the children really are the objects of charity and would be unable themselves, or by the assistance of relatives, to maintain and educate themselves. There may be very few of this class but I think there are some. I make this statement not in derogation of any one, but merely as a fact which in litigation will have some bearing and may become very important. Again, it is my information that these children are not absolutely bound to stay at this Home any fixed time. The time each one stays is indefinite, because if a parent or relative desires (and is able to care for the children) to take the children out of the Home such parent can do so and he has not surrendered the child or children so that he could not re-exercise his parental authority at any time. All these questions will be material if we ever get into court proceedings and the effect of some of them certainly is obvious. Unless the Board of Education and the Trustees of this Home find some way of amicably adjusting their differences and the parties are remitted to their respective rights in the premises and to the courts for adjustment, it necessarily must be expected that every fact that can be discovered or proven that relates to the status of the children in the Orphans' Home will be proven and my judgment is, must be proven. The whole matter turns upon the status of each child. Residence in the district is a question that involves both law and fact. Whether any child in this Home is a resident or is not a resident for school purposes within the law will be determined in the last analysis if litigated to the end by the status of each particular child. The broad question, of course, must also be decided of whether or not a charitable institution, a corporation not for pecuniary profit, such as the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home, as an auxiliary of the Grand Lodge of the state of Illinois of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, can go into any school district within the state of Illinois, and procure through its auxiliaries, its subordinate lodges throughout the state, one hundred children, or any other number of children, from one to five thousand, and by carefully nurturing and maintaining them at the common center or homes provided by said charity, compel the school board or other school authorities to permit such children to attend public schools without the payment of tuition. The question may be

asked if such a charity can thus compel a school board to take care of twenty-five children, why not seventy-five children? why not three hundred children? or any other number? I have been asked these questions a good many times by Judge Shope. My answer was that so far as I am able to see if the children are actually residents of the district the school board must provide education.

FOURTH: LEGAL PHASES:

The legal aspects of this case are fully as complex and as hard for actual ascertainment as some other features mentioned. Let us begin again at the beginning.

Article VII. Education.—Section 1, Constitution of Illinois, reads, "*General Assembly* shall provide a thorough and efficient system of free schools whereby all children of this state may receive a good common school education."

Gentlemen, I respectfully submit to you my own candid opinion of the matter that so far as this Orphans' Home is concerned and the children in it the legislature has not enacted as should have been done to give these children free schooling. There is no mention in the school law of any enactment whereby children in the situation of these children are absolutely guaranteed free schooling within the express commandments of the constitution. Our school law is very dearth in its provisions with reference to these questions. The Board of Directors shall have the following duties: "To establish and keep in operation for at least six months in each year, and longer if practicable, a sufficient number of free schools for the accommodation of *all persons in the district* over the age of six and under twenty-one years and to secure for all such persons the right and opportunity to an *equal education* in such school." The statute further says "the Board of School Directors shall be clothed with the following powers: to assign pupils to the several schools in the district; to admit non-resident pupils when it can be done without prejudice to the rights of resident pupils; to fix rates of tuition and to collect and pay the same to the township treasurer for the use of the district."

Outside of the provision with respect to compulsory education which reads "Every *person* having control of any child between the ages of seven and sixteen years shall annually *cause* such child to attend some *public or private school* for the entire time during which the school attended is in session, which shall not be less than six months of actual teaching," (with a fine of not less than five nor more than twenty dollars for neglect,) there appears to be no other constitutional or legislative

enactments which apply directly upon the right of these children to attend public schools in LaGrange free of charge. There is a statute with reference to pauper children resident upon a poor farm of the county which it seems the legislature of Illinois thought necessary to enact, the foregoing provisions to the contrary notwithstanding. In 1877 it was enacted "That county boards shall order to be paid out of the county treasury a just and equitable sum of money for the tuition of pauper children residing in the county poor house and attending any district school in the state. Said money shall be paid to the township treasurer of the township in which said district is situated and said treasurer shall place said money to the credit of the district where said pauper children attend school."

Formerly there was a statute which permitted districts to pay for sending children in another district. I have been unable to find any statute further than those above quoted which would authorize the county or school district from whence a child came to pay another county or school district tuition for the education of such a child when it removed or went to the last named county or district for purposes of education.

Upon account of the character of the institution having the custody and maintenance of these children and upon account of their number housed and domiciled within this district by a corporation organized and existing for purposes of charity, I can find no precedent that is upon all fours and concludes the questions involved in our situation.

There are many expressions and decisions of the courts of this state with reference to what is residence or domicile within the meaning of the school law. Every one of these cases has been decided upon a state of facts wherein the main essential fact was and is that the child or children resided with a person usually a relative and where there was but one or two children ivolved in each case. The best case and the one that touches our situation nearest is *Board of Education* vs. *Lease,* 64 Ill., App. p. 60. Parents of these children, two in number, lived in Alabama and the two children lived in this state at Nokomis with their legal guardian, their aunt, Amanda E. Lease. The mother and father had verbally surrendered the control of these children to the aunt upon the contingency that if the aunt moved away from Nokomis during the mother's lifetime the children were to be returned to the parents, but in the event of the mother's death they were to remain with the aunt permanently. Relying upon the guardianship and the possession of the children the court said. "The use of the words resident and non-resident, as found in the school law is not significant. No doubt residence as there indicated is to be understood in its broad sense of habitancy, the act of dwelling or abid-

ing in a place." This suit was a *mandamus* to compel these children to be returned to school and the court awarded the writ of *mandamus*, and this case, while only an appellate court case and is not binding except upon the parties in that suit, contains the ablest discussion in our favor of any published decision that I have found.

The two cases cited by the Board of Education, 164 Pennsylvania State, 607 and 603, come nearer to the questions involved in our situation than any other decided case in my judgment. However, it is not a precedent. The two situations were and are dissimilar and the fact which existed in the Pa. case upon which the court decided it, or rather based his opinion, does not exist in our case. The Pa. case was an attempt to restore to the public common schools without payment of tuition a number of children domiciled and within a charitable institution chartered by the state of Pa. known as some Orphans' Home and all within a certains chool district. The court decided that case against the institution and denied the right of entry by the children into the public free schools of the state because, first, the institution was chartered by the state with the expressed object of charity and education of orphans, etc.; second, that the state of Pennsylvania out of its treasury from moneys derived as taxation from the state of Pennsylvania paid certain large sums of money to this institution to enable it to carry on the objects for which it was formed, to-wit: charity and education.

The decision in 10 Ohio State, page 448, contains no discussion whatever. It was a religious Orphans' Home near Cincinnati that undertook to send orphans domiciled to it to the public schools and an inferior court held they could not do this. The court of last resort in Ohio I do not believe has passed on this question. The facts are not stated in this case but very briefly and there is no reasoning or discussion by the court. As a precedent I do not consider it worthy. There are a large number of precedents that follow the reasoning of the Lease case which I have above cited, but I will not tire you by mentioning any more authorities on this part of the case. It is freely admitted by Judge Shope that we are without a precedent that controls this case; that the legislature not having legislated upon the subject we are obliged to resort to the courts and make a precedent.

FIFTH: THE PROCEDURE.

If the Board of Education were not so tremenduously anxious to win this suit or a suit to be brought to solve the questions in this case, or to be more exact, if said board would act logically and as a logical sequence to their affirmative acts taken on January 20, 1912,—(entirely without notice and without discussion or without attempt to amicably adjust the questions of tuition, but out of clear sky like a thunderbolt, and

then only giving the trustees of this Home three days' notice,—) and after having fixed the rate of tuition in their wisdom, said Board of Education would bring a suit against the said trustees for the said tuition. Although I have suggested this suit to them many times and while members of this board which met trustees of the Home in conference tentatively agreed to bring such a suit, the counsel for this Board of Education refuses to do so because, as he says, the court might decide against them, or rather refuse to pass upon the "broad question",—going off upon a tangent,—upon some side issue; but I do not agree with this. The whole matter is a matter of tuition. It is money involved and this carries with it all of the legal questions with reference to domicile, residence and the powers of the Board of Education to fix the tuition for these children.

Mandamus.

Judge Shope insisted with Monroe Fulkerson that the children should be turned out of school and that the trustees of the Home should bring a *mandamus* suit to compel their restoration and offered to enter into an agreement that the children might be restored to school after the *mandamus* suit was started and pending its appeal. I said "No" to this. First, because our supreme court has expressly decided that where since the commencement of the suit in *mandamus* the pupils have been readmitted to school *mandamus* was useless and the suit would be dismissed by the court, and cite you this authority: *Christman* vs. *Peck,* 90 Ill., 150. Also *Board of Education* vs. *Bolton,* 85 Ill. App. p. 92. Also 154 App., p. 236-7, *and cases there cited.*

It was held in the first case above named, where the term of school had ended before the suit was heard finally that the suit must be dismissed without any consideration as to the merits of the case.

It has also been held in Wisconsin that a writ of *mandamus* will be denied where the fact of expulsion of the child is not shown. 96 *Wisconsin,* p. 95.

Moreover it has been held for many centuries that a suit for the extraordinary prerogative writ of *mandamus* will not lie, except upon the clearest legal grounds. In a case like ours with all the complexity of situations of the different children as above explained you may understand why I should prefer in this case to act upon the defensive rather than to be the aggressor.

Quo Warranto.

Is there no way by which the trustees of the Home can have the acts and the exercise of powers or alleged powers by this Board of Edu-

cation at LaGrange inquired into and set aside and held for naught if the same are illegal? The answer is "Yes."

I cite this decision by our supreme court as an authority for my answer:

The People, ex rel. vs. *Board of Education of the City of Quincy,* 101 Ill., p. 308.

The Board of Education of the city of Quincy adopted the following rule or resolution for the government and management of the public schools of said city, to-wit:

"That the colored schools of said city shall be composed of colored pupils who shall be of the prescribed age and *bona fide* residents of said city; that no pupil of African descent shall be permitted to attend any of the public schools of the city other than colored schools and that all the colored pupils in said city shall attend a certain public school in said city called the Lincoln schools and no other."

The court held "The Board of Education of the city of Quincy can exercise such powers and only such as are conferred upon it by the constitution and laws of the state, and that said Board of Education had no authority to adopt and enforce the rules" set out above, and that the writ of *quo warranto* would lie and the information to procure it was proper.

I can see no fundamental difference between this Quincy case and the LaGrange case. The Board of Education in LaGrange is endeavoring to exercise powers which the trustees of the Home insist are contrary to law and upon an information filed in the supreme court of the state of Illinois by the Attorney General of the state this whole question can be decided,—that is, the question of whether the Board of Education has the right to adopt resolutions as it did on January 20, 1912, and fix and compute a tuition as it did. This information can also be filed in the circuit or superior court of Cook county and if filed there it must be upon the presentment by the State's Attorney of Cook county. Whatever the judgment may be, in such court, the same can be appealed to the supreme court of this state direct.

Injunction.

The courts of the state of Illinois have never leaned with favor toward a bill for an injunction in cases of this character. However a bill for mandatory injunction is frequently allowed by the courts in the state of Illinois to compel an act done where the right is unquestioned and where not to have the right restored or granted would lead to great mischief to loss or damages which could not be properly compensated, or

for which damage or loss it would be impossible to find any measure. I cannot find any precedent in Illinois for an injunction in a case like ours supposing that the said Board of Education turned all of our said children out of school. The remedy by injunction, if permissible, would be the meaning of keeping these children in school,—the public schools of LaGrange, I mean,—until the final disposition of this matter by the courts. A most instructive case, soundly and well reasoned in my judgment, was decided some years ago by the supreme court of the state of Nebraska, to-wit: *Mizner* vs. *School District No.* 11, 2 Nebraska, p. 238: *same case,* 96 North Western Reporter, p. 128. Here are the facts and the decision: Ivy Bellinger, a girl 16 years old, having been placed with her uncle and excluded or threatened to be excluded from school because of her non-residence claimed by the directors of the school, her uncle brought a bill for mandatory injunction and the writ was awarded and she was kept in school all the time during the appeal.

The court said, "She (Ivy) had the right to attend this school, if at all, from day to day. If she had the right a denial would be a serious matter. Damage for this loss cannot be measured in dollars and cents. No money compensation can adequately recompense one for failure to receive even such an education as is afforded by our common schools. The only speedy and adequate remedy offered to the plaintiff was a resort to the extraordinary remedy of injunction. Under the circumstances we think he was entitled to appeal to the equity side of the court for this remedy. A court of law (meaning by *mandamus* or *quo warranto*) could not help Ivy or compensate her. There is probably no case where the court would be so quick to extend the aid sought and grant its full powers to the plaintiff for his relief."

In this case also it appeared that the parents of Ivy had made an agreement with her uncle and aunt that she should live with them in District No. 11 until she became 21 years old. The court held that she was a resident of the district; that she had a right to go to the free public schools and that the remedy by injunction in such case was proper.

Also I find that the supreme court of the state of Kentucky has upheld this doctrine, especially in the case where the child or children have been admitted to school and allowed to attend and then their expulsion is sought after their regular admission. *Cross* vs. *Board of Trustees, etc.,* 121 Ky., page 469.

These are the only two cases that I find justifying the proceeding by an injunction. There are some few cases against the proposition, but they seem to have been decided against the parties bringing the suit upon other grounds as well.

Conclusion.

I feel that this report and discussion must be closed here. It appears to me already far too lengthy. However, I have attempted to state only the essentials and those matters that seem to me to be most pertinent.

I consider the state of the law with reference to this situation in Illinois surrounded with much doubt. I think, as a matter of opinion from a legal standpoint, that there is much doubt whether the supreme court of this state will apply the law as stated in the *Lease case* to this situation. Your institution is a corporation, a charitable institution, a creature of law,—not a natural person. Its objects are charity and the education of its wards. It is allowed to perform these functions and objects under express statutory law and in the absence of legislative enactment fixing and defining your rights and that of your wards the matter is left open for the judges of the supreme court of this state to make the law by decisions, by precedent. My own legal opinion is that upon a strict construction of the law as it now is, upon our statute books and as construed by our courts up to date, that those children in the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home in LaGrange, who are there permanently and not temporarily, have the right to attend the public schools there without tuition, but I recognize the power and the opportunity for the supreme court of this state in the present situation of legislative enactment to rule otherwise on this question as applied to this Home. I am further of the opinion that if the Board of Education does not desire to rescind the present resolution on the books fixing the tuition, that it would be a wise move for you to make to procure the consent of the Attorney General of Illinois, or the State's Attorney of Cook county, to file an information in the nature of a *quo warranto* to require and compel the Board of Education of District 102 to show cause, if any they can, why they are endeavoring to exercise the power to compel these children to pay tuition, and then if said board should undertake to exclude the children from the school and you are unable to provide means of educating them that a bill for a mandatory injunction be filed and a bond given and the children restored to school and permitted to attend until some decision in the matter is reached.

Finally I deem it my duty to say that numerous efforts have been put forth to compromise this matter, but it seems that no compromise can be reached. The Board of Education will not yield the point that these children must pay a tuition. Their counsel has said that they will yield the question of the amount per capita and compromise this point but insist that tuition must be paid. General Moulton and Brother Fletcher have consistently and persistently directed me to oppose the

payment of tuition in any amount for these children and to insist that they have a legal right to free school education in these schools and this I have done to the best of my ability to this hour.

I shall leave the entire matter with you here. If the board of trustees should desire my presence for a further statement or argument or opinion I shall be glad to attend upon request.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

JESSE E. ROBERTS.

REPORT—Committee on United Charities.

Bro. Charles S. DeHart presented the report of the Committee on United Charities. Consideration of the report was made a special order of business for Wednesday forenoon.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on United Charities, appointed at the last meeting of the Grand Lodge, begs to report that they met with similar committees appoined by the Grand Chapter, R.A.M., Grand Council, R. and S.M., and Grand Commandery, K.T., of Illinois.

That an organization was perfected, and a sub-committee has been thoroughly investigating conditions as they exist in the state and necessities that seem pressing upon our membership. This sub-committee submitted to the joint committee a very elaborate and detailed report, which was adopted. This report in detail is attached hereto. Printed copies of same will be distributed among the brethren, and we would respectfully recommend the concurrence of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. S. DEHART,
LOUIS L. EMMERSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE.

Bro. John B. Fithian, Secretary Joint Committee on United Masonic Charities:

The sub-committee, which was appointed to formulate and submit for the consideration of the entire Joint Committee, plans, methods of operation and recommendations, in pursuance of the purpose for which the respective committees constituting such joint committee were ap-

pointed by the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Grand Chapter R.A.M., Grand Council R. and S.M., and Grand Commandery, K.T., of Illinois, beg leave to report the following findings and recommendations as the basis, with the approval of the said joint committee, for a report to be made by the aforesaid committees to the grand bodies which they respectively represent.

At the close of their last fiscal year the membership of these organizations was reported as follows:

Grand Lodge	108,068
Grand Chapter	33,207
Grand Council	7,117
Grand Commandery	16,820

Their net assets in cash and invested securities were reported at the time of their last annual meeting to be as follows:

Grand Lodge	$155,425
Grand Chapter	54,872
Grand Council	9,655
Grand Commandery	16,026

which amounts were subject to appropriations currently requisite amounting as follows:

Grand Lodge—Approximately $95,000 appropriated, leaving balance of net assets $60,425, of which net balance $57,000 is required to be preserved intact in the Permanent Funds of the Home for Aged Masons and the Masonic Orphans' Home, so that $3,425 represented all the available cash assets of the Grand Lodge remaining for any extraordinary or unusual purpose.

Grand Chapter—Approximately $12,000 appropriated, leaving available cash assets, $42,872.

Grand Council—Approximately $2,200 appropriated, leaving available cash assets, $7,455.

Grand Commandery—Approximately $9,000 appropriated, leaving available cash assets, $7,026.

The present per capita dues collected by these four Grand Bodies, from which the major portion of their revenue is derived were respectively as follows:

Grand Lodge—90 cents (55 cents General Fund and 35 cents Charity Fund).

Grand Chapter—50 cents.

Grand Council—50 cents.

Grand Commandery—75 cents.

A review of the field of masonic beneficence dispensed under organized methods in the state of Illinois, reveals:

1. Suitable and adequate provision made for indigent and dependent Master Masons, affiliated with Illinois lodges, their wives and widows to the number of 125 to 150 persons at Sullivan, Illinois, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.

2. Similar provision for dependent children of Master Masons affiliated with Illinois lodges to the number of 125 to 150 at LaGrange, Illinois, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.

3. A well organized Relief Association with national affiliation for emergent and temporary cases of financial distress and needs of sojourning and resident brethren in Chicago and vicinity.

4. An Employment Bureau in Chicago, organized on a business basis to secure employment for Masons able and willing to work.

5. The Gil. W. Barnard Hospital Association, which is affording care and attention, so far as its resources will permit, to sick and disabled Masons in Chicago by arrangement with certain local hospitals. This is a corporate association composed of masonic organizations and individual brethren.

6. A system of organized visitation committees working under the auspices of Oriental Consistory, S.P.R.S., doing general relief work for Masons and their families.

There seems but one field of masonic endeavor for the relief of the distressed and afflicted Master Masons of Illinois, their wives, widows and orphans, which has not yet been developed and which may well be the object of a united effort by Masons of all grades and affiliations to enter and to supply proper and adequate means for relief, namely: to afford care, attendance, nurture and comfort for the unfortunate Master Mason and those of his immediate family who are not only financially dependent, but physically helpless, especially non-contagious chronic or incurable cases requiring extraordinary personal attention and professional treatment impossible to render in the Masonic Homes already established which are designed for the occupancy of well people subject only to temporary and minor ailments.

This great and glorious undertaking would not be possible of successful accomplishment without the efficient co-operation of a large contributing membership. The magnitude of the undertaking, especially the cost of annual maintenance after the erection of a permanent building was assured, would be beyond the single reasonable resources of either

Grand Chapter, Grand Council or Grand Commandery, and would undoubtedly occasion a too severe drain upon even the resources of Grand Lodge, with a membership now approximating 110,000, especially in view of the depletion in its cash assets arising from the burdens it has already assumed.

Your committee is of the opinion, however, that the combined resources of these four grand bodies would be amply sufficient to meet all legitimate requirements of the suggested field of masonic beneficence.

The following scheme of organization and operation is accordingly submitted, whereby the united action of the aforesaid masonic organizations may be made effective, with an equitable distribution of the burden assumed, and likewise assuring to each a proportionate measure of credit, glory and gratification for participation in the beneficent undertaking.

The preliminary procedure recommended would be to incorporate under the laws of Illinois a corporation not for pecuniary profit, under the name of *United Masonic Benevolent Association.*

The object of the Association to be stated in the articles of incorporation shall be: to provide and utilize means and facilities of any and all kinds, suitable, desirable and requisite for affording to indigent Master Masons holding membership in good standing under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Grand Royal Arch Chapter, Grand Council, R. and S.M., or Grand Commandery, K.T., of the State of Illinois, and to their wives, widows, or next of kin, surgical and medical treatment including professional nursing, together with the necessaries and moderate comforts of life, who may be physically disabled through sickness or injury, not contagious, and be at the same time without means or resources with which to provide for their necessities or comfort.

The membership of the Association shall consist of the following officers of masonic organizations domiciled in Illinois, to-wit: The M.W. Grand Master of A.F. and A.M., the M.E. Grand High Priest of R.A.M., the M.I. Grand Master of R. and S.M. and the R.E. Grand Commander of K.T., and one member for each 10,000 members carried on the membership rolls of the contributing organizations, with one additional member for any excess in number of members over 5,000 remaining after the foregoing apportionment has been made of one to each ten thousand.

Such representative membership, both *ex officio* and those selected by choice, shall only be entitled to the rights and privileges of membership in the Association for and during the year in which contribution

is made to the revenue of the Association, as hereinafter provided. By the way of illustration, assuming that the four masonic organizations represented by the present joint committee on United Charities constitute the membership of the Association, its membership would number as follows, based on the last annual report of the several Grand Bodies, to-wit:

Grand Lodge, *ex officio* 1, and by choice 11, total.....12
Grand Chapter, *ex officio* 1, and by choice 3, total..... 4
Grand Council, *ex officio* 1, and by choice 1, total..... 2
Grand Commandery, *ex officio* 1, and by choice 2, total..... 3

Grand total 21

A Board of Directors, consisting of seven members, shall be chosen annually by the members of the Association, provided that each contributing grand body shall have at all times at least one representative in said Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall annually and immediately after being organized for the ensuing year, elect from its membership the officers of the Association, to serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified, as follows, to-wit: A President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer and a Secretary. The Board shall also appoint some competent Master Mason as Superintendent and such other assistants and agents as may appear to be requisite for the administration of the affairs of the Association and fix the compensation and terms of service of all such appointees. The elective officers shall receive no compensation for any services rendered the Association but shall be reimbursed from the funds of the Association for actual and necessary expenditures made by them in the performance of their official duty.

The Board of Directors may choose from their number an Executive Committee consisting of five members, of which number the President and Secretary of the Association, shall be two, which committee shall be empowered to act for the Association during the recess between meetings of the Board of Directors in all matters relating to administration of the affairs of the Association.

The Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, the Grand Council R. and S.M. and the Grand Commandery, K.T., of the State of Illinois shall be entitled to representative membership in the *United Masonic Benevolent Association* by the initial payment of a sum equal to twenty-five (25) cents per capita on its membership, as shown by its last annual report, and such membership in the Association shall thereafter be continued by the payment annually of a sum equal to ten

(10) cents per capita on its membership, as shown by its last annual report. All such payments shall be made without recourse, right of recovery, or transferable right, title or interest in or to any property which may be acquired by the Association.

Provided an organization be effected as hereinbefore proposed, the active efforts of such an Association should find practical expression in two forms:

First—By the erection at the earliest practicable date, preferably at Sullivan, Illinois, of a substantial fire proof hospital building, fully equipped for the care and treatment, especially of non-contagious, chronic and incurable ailments.

There is little, if any, doubt, but that the Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., would freely grant the requisite ground area on which to erect this proposed hospital.

Second—By effecting special arrangements with one or more hospitals in Chicago and other cities in Illinois so that temporary and emergent cases of illness or injury may be properly treated, the selection of hospitals for this purpose to be geographically distributed to proportionately and effectively cover the entire state and reduce to a minimum the time and expense of transportation and afford prompt relief in deserving cases in which the co-operation of the local masonic lodges could be advantageously enlisted, since by so doing they would materially lighten the burdens which otherwise they would feel under obligations to assume.

Should the plan of organization and operation for the relief of the physically disabled Master Mason and those dependent upon him meet with the approval of the present joint Committee on United Charities, it is recommended that the several committees submit the plans for the approval of the respective grand bodies which they represent, at the same time urging the adoption of resolutions whereby the grand bodies so represented will jointly and severally form the united organization as proposed and contribute their *pro rata* share towards the practical dispensation of masonic beneficence in Illinois as contemplated.

The net result obtained would be to afford an ample measure of relief to all physically disabled Master Masons of Illinois Lodges, Chapters, Councils or Commanderies who may be in indigent circumstances, their wives, widows and next of kin, the cost of which would be equitably distributed among Masons of every grade and affiliation in our state from Master Mason to Knight Templar, inclusive, which cost would not exceed, under present conditions, forty (40) cents per annum for each individual Mason, even though he might be a contributor, through the

medium of dues paid, in the four capacities of Master Mason, Royal Arch Mason, Royal and Select Master and Knight Templar, with the further advantage that the cost of the beneficient work to which he contributes would be defrayed from a common fund without entailing any additional expense to the individual Mason, assuming that the dues now paid to the Lodge, Chapter, Council or Commandery are adequate for all purposes as seems possible.

Under the proposed plan, basing estimates on present membership rolls of Grand Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery only, the funds available would amount as follows:

For first year $41,307
Annually thereafter upwards of 16,522

Assuming that $100,000 would be requisite for the erection of a permanent hospital building, approximately four years would be required to accumulate that amount from membership receipts, plus accruing interest. At the expiration of four years from organization, the requisite amount for the permanent hospital and its equipment would assuredly be in hand and the annual membership receipts thereafter would be sufficient for operating expenses. In the meantime, the work of providing temporary and emergent relief could be also systematically organized and conducted, with the confident assurance that before five years have elapsed, with the institutions now established and work already accomplished, ample and permanent provision will then have been made to meet any and all requirements in the entire field of masonic beneficence throughout the state of Illinois. Fraternally submitted,

GEO. M. MOULTON, *Chairman.*

RESOLUTION—List of Regular Lodges.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott presented the following resolution regarding the List of Regular Lodges. The resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, The list of regular lodges under the obedience of grand lodges recognized by this Grand Lodge, prepared under the authority of and by direction of this grand body has been exhausted. And,

WHEREAS, It is of great importance in guarding against clandestine lodges and persons fraudulently claiming to be Masons that this list of regular lodges be kept up-to-date for the protection of the craft in this state. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That a carefully revised edition of the list of regular lodges be printed and that each lodge in the state be furnished a copy for its information and guidance in the reception of visitors and of applications for affiliation.

PETITION FROM ST. JOSEPH.

A petition was presented by the brethren of St. Joseph for the formation of a new lodge at that place. The matter was referred to the Committee on Lodges U.D.

REPORT—Committee on Lodges U.D.

Bro. R. F. Locke, Chairman of the Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, presented the report of that committee. It was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation would respectfully report that there have been presented to it for consideration, the dispensations and returns of eight lodges, which have been working under dispensations since the last annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and as a result of their labors, present the following report:

Glen Ellyn Lodge, U.D., DuPage county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued February 25, 1912, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted February 8, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. David M. Baird, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	24
Number elected	17
Number rejected	6
Number initiated	16
Number not acted upon	1
Number passed	14
Number raised	14
Number named in dispensation	52
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	66

Whose names are as follows:

Charles Frank Nagel, Frank Roderus, William Linus Lerch, Karl Clarence Loehr, Herbert Lane, Lawrence Verdier Calhoun, Herman Klug, Charles John Carlson, Emil Degenhardt, Clarence Garfield Parker, John LeMessurier, Acors Earl Rathbun, Willis Nathan Eshbaugh, James Johansen, Acors Wells Rathbun, Irving Atheton Lesher, Harry Guy Bowstead, Earl Philetus Benson, Elmer Francis Burdick, Thomas Lee Burrell, Thomas Howell Barlow, William John Monroe, George May Nicoll, Oscar Frank Johnson, William George Sutter, Thomas John Delves, Jesse Edwin Lawrence, Bert Clement Dodge, Edgar Henry McChesney, Oscar Helmer, James Saunders, Carlos Vincent Lewis, Frank Farmer Strong, Arthur Lewis Utermark, Charles Barnard Hopper, George Hursh Ensminger, Harold Rossiter, Albert Charles Swan, William Henry Wilson, Sylvester Kinney, Charles Simon Ganzhorn, Jacob Judson, William Hamilton Watkins, Gustav Zuttermeister, John Otis Hart, Walter Prescott Conyers, Willard Prescott Conyers, Hervey Richards Culley, William Culley, Lee Orville Farnsworth, William Rattle Plum, Frank Vincent Garner, Charles August Johnson, David Scott Adams, Fred Charles Sievert, Harry Adelbert Harnden, George Luther Wagner, Charles Henry McChesney, Ernest Stanley Wagner, Robert Harlin Patch, Jr., Calvin Benjamin Patch, Frank Mathias Wagner, Frank Emanuel Rose, Douglas Bradford Robertson, Charles Arthur Elsy, Worthington Wait DeWolf.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Glen Ellyn Lodge No. 950.

Depue Lodge, U.D., Depue, Bureau county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued December 11, 1911, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted December 15, 1911, by the R.W. Bro. W. P. Grube, District Deputy Grand Master of the 16th District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	14
Number elected	10
Number rejected	4
Number initiated	9
Number passed	9
Number raised	9
Number named in dispensation	30
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	1
Number signing petition for charter	28

Whose names are as follows:

David Conden Wray, Walter Loyal Richardson, John Francis Lewis, Nathan Lewis Bremer, John Henry Goering, Gustave John Thran, John

Dee Coppin, Conrad Kolodziej, George Meyers Bryant, Frank Frey, John Weaver Frey, Orville Melvin Hagan, William Harvey Seeley, Frank Levi Powers, Henry Frank Hindle, Christian Blind, Thomas B. Jones, Charles Everet Smeltzer, Charles Albert Sanger, Solomon Leonard, Paul Leslie Rapp, Frederick Krueger, Weston Maynard Kelsey, Frederick Charles Drewitz, Jay Davis Thomas, Jacob Henry Graham, Arthur D. Terrell, March Frederick Chase.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as Depue Lodge No. 951.

Donovan Lodge, U.D., Donovan, Iroquois county, Illinois.

The work of this lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	20
Number elected	18
Number rejected	1
Number acted upon	1
Number initiated	16
Number passed	14
Number raised	14
Number named in dispensation	23
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	37

Whose names are as follows:

Ben Wells Duesler, John Walter Nelson, James Harsha Donovan, John Edward Winslow, Arthur Darwin Lee, Ernest Frede Behlke, Edward James Donovan, David Lenard Wahlstrom, Frank Duzenberry, Arthur Winslow, Julian E. Carr, John Nelson, John Wesley Hutchison, George Wilson Duesler, George Marcus Thomas, Carl Oskar Efraim Eckerstrom, Charles August Ernest Nelson, Charles Winslow, Peter Emery Fred, Oscar Lyle Nelson, Isaac Thomas, Asa F. Perrigo, Neal Theodore Swanson, William Winslow, John Logan Blakley, Gustaf William Samuelson, Gust Schmid, Emmett Avery Markley, Gust Fredrick Larson, John Finley Johnston, Clarence Ward Hinton, Albert Ray Blakley, Alfred Swan Anderson, Victor Enoch Adolphus Anderson, Fred William Lindgren, Conrad William Goranson, Earl Francis Harris.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as Donovan Lodge No. 952.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued November 11, 1911, by M.W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted November 29, 1911, by Rt. Wor. Bro. W. I. Holcomb, D.D.G.M. of the 18th District.

Stone Arch Lodge, U.D., Cypress, Johnson county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued February 6, 1912, by Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah. The lodge was instituted February 26, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. Charles H. Thompson, District Deputy Grand Master of the 49th District. The working of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	3
Number elected	3
Number rejected	None
Number initiated	3
Number passed	1
Number raised	1
Number named in dispensation	20
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	21

Whose names are as follows:

John M. Bradley, Linsfield Shaderick, John W. Handley, William T. George, William E. George, Fred Kelley, Joseph M. Wilkinson, John Mowery, Alexander Martin, Benjamin H. Cross, Wm. R. Bradley, William Y. Davis, E. D. Jones, Robert F. Hood, Sr., E. E. Brown, J. Frank Kanoker, W. J. Wenre, John W. Winters, Levi Peterson, P. W. Rose, James F. Stewart.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Stone Arch Lodge No. 953.

Progressive Lodge, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge February 19, 1912, by the Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted February 23, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. Albert Roullier, District Deputy Grand Master for the 4th District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	42
Number elected	38
Number rejected	3
Number not acted on	1
Number initiated	38
Number passed	38
Number raised	38
Number named in dispensation	45
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	1
Number signing petition for charter	82

Whose names are as follows:

Edwin Brooker, Frederick Ferdinand Schaefers, William Harrison Paterson, James Nichol, William Charles Kater, William Paxton Milton,

George Richard Raabe, Frederick Austin Gilbert, Harold Waldo Barnett, Fred VanWinkle, James Walter Mitts, John Charles Renner, Arno Emil Gneist, Robert F. Ottens, Clarence E. Logue, Warren Gray Brower, Thomas Benson Hughes, John C. Turner, John Leonard Peterson, Bert Fisher Perkins, William Henry Whitmore, William Henry Wedgewood, John Milton, Albert Victor Bolton, Anton Pederson, Vernon Vay Grubb, Edward J. Powers, Edward Thomas Coffy, Edward Steen Gunderson, Frank West Bland, William H. Rustman, Peter Albert Pettersen, Harry Cribbs Dryer, William Henry Eckert, Adolph Philip Schnaitman, Jens Wilhelm Christiansen, Harry Severin Sorensen, Louis William Fahming, Charles Warren Johnson, William Petersen, William A. Merry, Thomas John Thomas, John Thomas Hughes, Richard Samuel Martin, Bernard Nels Nelson, Arthur Ernst Fest, Otto Andrew Olsen, George Tyne Runnion, James L. Tipton, Warren Wesley Morrow, John Frederick Timm, Oscar Olson, Jurgen Christ Jurgenson, Henry Stokes Nece, Arthur Robert John Lehmann, Ashley Chapman, Edward Sayward Fitch, Samuel James Moran, George William Bell, Christian Alexander Hansen, Otto Karl Mehrholz, Michael Thorwick, Christen Larsen, Frank Otto Emil Wilke, Ernst Djupman, Edward Charles Potucek, Harry Mathew Hibbe, Richard Frank Anderson, Elbert Hall Martin, William Henry Kufke, Harold Seymour Upham, Arthur Alfred Karg, Henry Hurlock, Maynard Burton Mortensen, Harold Braeck Johnson, Ernest Schulzt Nielsen, Fernan Joseph Collinet, John William Marcus Herring, John Christoffer Weckerley, Raymond Ira Pane, Charles Albert Coles, John William Kelley.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Progressive Lodge No. 954.

Cicero Lodge, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge March 15, 1912, by the Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted March 20, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. Harry W. Harvey, District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	20
Number elected	12
Number rejected	5
Number not acted upon	3
Number initiated	12
Number passed	11
Number raised	10
Number named in dispensation	35
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	45

Whose names are as follows:

Louis Mongreig, Richard K. Freeman, James Leigh, William Wesley Waters, Edwin Edward Lovejoy, Thomas Morse Barger, Frederick William Smith, Thomas William Lewis, Thomas Edward Whitchurch, William George Howe, Samuel C. Older, Elzy Franklin Downey, Charles F. W. Langefeld, Charles Hancock, Oresta Woodworth Young, John Theodore Pauly, Charles Frederick Rains, Richard Alfred Capps, Joseph Pruegert, John Ross, Charles M. Morey, Edmond Brooks, George Pabst, James S. Rylands, John F. Slapak, Clifford Gould, Charles Farwell Markley, Isaac Newton Price, William Harris, George Henry Miller, William Leon Stevens, Thomas W. Robinson, Frank H. Foster, George H. Hughes, Michael H. Coligan, Frederick A. Luce, Raymond Grover Maxwell, John Henry Schick, James Rehak, William Henry Chilvers, Jr., Albert Frederick Rose, Frederick Bismark Schafer, William Alexander Bruce, Robert Bryant Roberts, George Washington Ramsey, Jr.

We recommend that a charter be granted to this lodge as Cicero Lodge No. 955.

Washington Park Lodge, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation for this lodge was issued April 22, 1912, by the Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted April 26, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. William H. Bied, District Deputy Grand Master for the 6th District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	51
Number elected	45
Number rejected	3
Number not acted on	3
Number initiated	33
Number passed	30
Number raised	28
Number named in dispensation	81
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	109

Whose names are as follows:

Samuel H. Axman, Joseph Abrahams, Louis J. Brody, Alexander I. Block, Arthur Beck, Eugene Beck, Arthur A. Beck, Jacob J. Blumenfeld, George L. Blond, Samuel A. Brunwasser, Nathan Bernhardt, Simon Bryar, Arthur Berkowitz, Henry A. Cohen, Albert Cohn, David Coplan, Henry Drexler, Gustav Dreyfus, Jacob M. Eisenberg, Max Eckmann, Abe C. Eisendrath, Ralph Eisenberg, Alex Freundlich, Anthony Fischer, Otto J. S. Frauenknecht, Julius Freehling, Isaac Freehling, Sigmund Freshman, Harry J. Flower, Edgar Harry Flower, Samuel Fox, I. A. Grossman, A.

Goldsmith, Ralph Green, George B. Greenbaum, Louis J. Gross, Abram Gross, Jacob Goldberger, Samuel H. Goldsmith, Maurice Henry Goldblatt, Rob't Chas. Goldblatt, Louis Morton Goodman, M. B. Hirsch, Max E. Hyman, Maurice B. Harris, Daniel C. Hirsch, Mose Hillison, George L. Israel, Alfred Israel, Gustav Kohn, Harry C. Levinson, Jerome G. Levy, William L. Lindenthal, Solomon C. Lindenthal, Marks Lewy, Max D. Lewy, Jay B. Lewy, Sig. Lester, Henry M. Lindenthal, Louis Lindenthal, Herbert Hirsch Levy, Moses M. Lieberman, Herman Mueller, Louis Marcus, Mortimer Marder, Harry J. Myerson, James M. Newberger, Fred A. Nachman, Mortimer M. Oppenheimer, Albert L. Oppenheimer, Leo Oppenheimer, Frank D. Ring, Ike Rosenblatt, Joseph Raphael, Maurice M. Rothschild, Henry L. Reinhardt, Lawrence Reibstein, Arthur J. Richter, James G. Rice, Benj. F. Reach, Frederick S. Schram, Jacob Schwartz, Fred B. Sachs, David L. Schram, Harris Sachs, Albert Schlanger, August J. Solomon, Charles J. Schram, Max Sime, Simon Sime, Louis Schwab, Charles Sincere, Edward Sonnenschein, Eugene Shubart, Isaac J. Smit, Leo Stein, Samuel Sachs, Henry Schwab, Samuel Salinger, Benjamin Sachs, Jacob L. Schnadig, Abraham Simon, Emanuel Vehon, Samuel J. Vehon, Emanuel Weil, Joseph Welfeld, Bert J. Wyatt, J. Monroe Weil, Harry A. Washer.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as Washington Park Lodge No. 956.

Prospect Lodge, U.D., Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

A dispensation was issued for this lodge July 5, 1912, by the Most Worshipful Bro. Delmar D. Darrah, Grand Master. The lodge was instituted July 11, 1912, by the R.W. Bro. Harry A. Dever, District Deputy Grand Master of the 3rd District. The work of the lodge is as follows:

Number of petitions received	27
Number elected	22
Number rejected	2
Number not acted on	3
Number initiated	15
Number passed	14
Number raised	14
Number named in dispensation	29
Number named in dispensation not signing petition for charter	None
Number signing petition for charter	43

Whose names are as follows:

Alexander Caughey Miskelly, Robert John Wiggins, Nicholas Ozinga, Albert L. Grubbe, Frank Webster Young, Edward Elbert Owens, Joseph Alexander Winkler, William James Miskelly, Jr., Adolph W. Zimmerman, Cornelius Hoeksema, Matthew C. Cassidy, Edward F. Ingram, Albert L.

G. Ohm, John Whitehead, Theodore Patz, Emil F. Roegner, D.D.S., Wm. N. Schneider, C. W. Swanberg, Julius C. Ohm, John Jentzsch, A. E. Bubolz, Augustus C. Shafer, Frank Sellers, R. L. Fairbrother, James H. Graham, Joseph F. Duda, George W. Richardson, Fred Vanden Berg, Harvey S. Oakes, Philip E. Cassidy, Emil E. Rose, Edward Frederick Hoffman, Paul Gustave Gengelbach, David Miskelly, Rutherford B. Rowland, William Guilford Hogg, William Jesse Parrett, Louis Tomas Miller, Ernest Krebser, Joseph Blaha, Henry W. Patz, Elmer Dexter Smith, William Bartholmae Pfister.

We recommend that a charter be granted this lodge as Prospect Lodge No. 957.

Recapitulation of the work done in all lodges under dispensation during the past year:

Number of petitions received	201
Number elected	165
Number rejected	24
Number not acted on	12
Number initiated	142
Number passed	131
Number raised	128
Number named in dispensation not signing petitions for charters	2
Number named in dispensations	305
Number signing petitions for charters	431

Your committee is of the conviction that the present system of passing upon the work of Lodges U.D. is far from perfect. We are called upon to pass judgment solely upon the records of the lodge as kept by the secretary. A lodge under dispensation might be deprived of a charter by the carelessness or negligence of its secretary while on the other hand grave errors and omissions can easily be hidden by a few written words. Before granting a charter this Grand Lodge through its Committee on Lodges, U.D., should know that the standards of Masonry are being maintained and advanced by lodges working under dispensation.

We therefore recommend that hereafter the Most Worshipful Grand Master be authorized and empowered through the Committee on Lodges U.D., to make such investigation as to the work of lodges under dispensation and as to character and standing of the officers thereof as may be deemed reasonable or necessary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Richard F. Locke,
John Johnston,
H. A. Snell,
E. J. Merki,
Albert Jampolis,
Committee on Lodges U.D.

PRESENTATION—Past Grand Master of Arkansas.

M.W. Bro. H. H. Myers, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, was presented and accorded Grand Honors. Brother Myers spokes as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Right Worshipful Grand Wardens, Venerable Past Grand Wardens and Members of the Great Grand Lodge of the Great State of Illinois:

I bring to you today from the sunny southland, and from the brightest diadem of all the stars that shines south—shines in the state of Arkansas, our most fraternal greetings. It gives me a great deal of pleasure to refer to these Past Grand Masters as "Venerable" because it has been some time since I was invested with that authority in the Grand East, and I realize it will be but a short time until I will be called "Venerable"—and I am trying to accustom myself to it now.

I had the pleasure a few days ago of appearing before the brethren in the Grand Lodge of Missouri, in a suburb of Chicago—many of you would claim St. Louis, and the brother who introduced me, spoke of me as a Most Venerable Past Grand Master, and referred to me as "a young man from Arkansas;" and he said that he had heard recently that all the ladies in Arkansas were so cross-eyed that when they wept their tears ran down their backs creating a sort of humpback.

In reply, I said that I had visited a great many cities and a great many Grand Lodges and been a great observer of the ladies in many cities, particularly of Missouri and I was inclined to believe that they were just like the ladies of Arkansas, and if we discovered a cure for their infirmity, we would send it over to the brethren so they would get the benefit of it.

Brethren, I have seen many Masonic bodies, and they are very much alike. But I am going to say this, that I have never visited a Grand Lodge where the *personnel* presented a more typical, of what your Most Worshipful Grand Master calls "individualized masonry" than I am witnessing today. And it gives me inexpressible pleasure, and I consider it a very great distinction, Brethren, when I was offered the opportunity of appearing before you, and I want to congratulate you upon the selection of the officers, so far chosen. Having written two Grand Master's reports, I know something about what is involved in doing that; I have read the Grand Master's reports of more than eleven states, including my own two reports, and I never listened to any in my life more interesting, more beautiful and a more perfect literary gem than that of your Most

Worshipful Grand Master this morning. It may well be, and I doubt not but what it will be, considered, by our future generations, as a Masonic pattern.

Now, Brethren, your Grand Master has been so courteous and kind as to permit me to appear before you, I am going to suggest a little proposition, which I believe will appeal to you. The city of Hot Springs, Arkansas, is without question the greatest health resort in the world. There is a place set aside by the government in the Ozark mountains, and from these mountains, we have fifty springs furnishing more than a million gallons of hot water a day that bestowes benefit to more than seven-eighths of the ills that humanity suffers with.

In the creation, Providence must have had in view this fact, that man, even if created in His own image, would accumulate in the generations a certain amount of "cussedness" or a certain amount of perverseness which would result in disease, and when that fact dawned on Him, he said: "I will create an antidote." He created Hot Springs.

More than 130,000 visitors, annually visit this place seaching for the restoration of health. We can conserve our resources; we can change the order and we can purchase music, but when health has once gone, there is only one place—we have a place where you can be restored and return to proper vigor, and that is Hot Springs. There annually come to Hot Springs, I should say 20,000 Masons; some of these Masons are such as you are, able to take care of themselves; occasionally there come to Hot Springs, indigent Masons, or those who become stranded for a time, and lose their health, about one hundred and sixty-two to probably two hundred and sixty-two.

Through the efforts of the government representatives, the Hot Springs' Masons were able to obtain from congress two valuable lots worth about $25,000, together with the hot water privilege which is valued by the government at $25,000. They propose now to erect a Masonic Home where the indigent Mason from all states, when he comes there will be taken care of. They take care of and dispense more charity than any other lodge, in proportion to their membership, in the world—does this little lodge; it is necessary that they do it; Masonry is a moral institution and Masonic charity is, when dispensed, reserved and it does not need a paid certificate; Masonic charity is a dispensation without the expectation or even the thought of human reward. These brethren have gone on for years and years and have dispensed charity on brethren innumerable; they are seeking today, and I appear before you, not asking alms, not asking one cent, but that you would pass some sort of resolution, saying that you have been advised something of the character of

this proposition, and that you give them your moral sanction. Then if this lodge is permitted to call the attention of the subordinate lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction—not to ask for a cent, but to suggest to them that if they cared to make any provision towards aiding this magnificent project, then this lodge, of course, being Arkansan, will most gladly receive it.

Now, we have in our state, as you have, our schools; we have our Orphans' Home; we are dispensing daily, Masonic charity, Masonic sunshine and Masonic gladness; we are not giving alone of money, but we are giving encouragement—we are giving of everything that makes manly men feel more humanly to men, who have met with misfortune, and get him to come out in the field of Masonry and go forward, shoulder to shoulder and work with us—that is what we are doing in Arkansas—a duplicate of what you are doing. You are doing the same as we have been doing.

I shall not detain you very long. Brethren, this has been a great honor to me and I shall report it to my Grand Lodge in the great state of Arkansas, where in the confines of that Grand Jurisdiction, the starry sky is so clear that our peaches are the biggest, and tinged with the color of the maiden's blush, fanned by the breezes from the Ozark mountains; and where those big red apples grow, so that if you were to go to the catacombs of Egypt, with its mummies three thousand years old and spring one of these red apples of Arkansas, he would raise up and say: Take me to Arkansas.

Again, I want to say to you, that in the confines of living Masonry you have captivated me, and I shall return to my Grand Lodge and tell them that I have looked upon the best looking Grand Lodge I ever saw in my life, and that I have been received with such courtesy, with that greeting, that you bestow upon the best Grand Lodge. I want to express to you how sincerely and how gratefully I thank you for this great courtesy, Brethren.

TUITION—Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.

The Grand Master presented a memorial to the Grand Lodge from Bro. Jesse Barton regarding the subject of tuition of the children at the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, in which it was suggested that the Grand Lodge effect a compromise with the school authorities. The matter was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Petitions.

REPORT—Committee on Mt. Greenwood Cemetery Ass'n.

Bro. Andrew McNally presented the report of the Special Committee on the Mt. Greenwood Cemetery Association proposition. The report was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of Illinois:

Your committee, to whom was referred the proposition of the Mt. Greenwood Cemetery Association to deed to this Grand Lodge a lot in Mt. Greenwood Cemetery, with provision for its perpetual care, beg leave to report:

That they have visited Mt. Greenwood Cemetery, and inspected the masonic section, in which is situated the lot offered to this Grand Lodge. While the plot of ground in question is well located and adapted for the purposes suggested, yet during the past year no progress has seemingly been made to build and erect the monuments proposed to be erected, and no assurance is given that lots in this section have not already been purchased by persons not Masons and in no way connected with the institution, and no effective means is suggested whereby the so-called Masonic Section shall remain exclusively for the use of Masons.

Your committee are of the opinion that as the constituent lodges of this Grand Lodge attend to all things pertaining to the interment of their deceased members, this Grand Lodge could have no possible use for a burial lot. We, therefore, most respectfully recommend that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be given to the Mt. Greenwood Cemetery Association for their offer to deed the plot of ground suggested, and that the offer be declined.

ANDREW MCNALLY,
WM. H. ROBSON,
AMOS PETTIBONE,
Committee.

The Committee on Petitions asked that the matter of tuition of the children of the Masonic Orphans' Home, which was referred to them in the forenoon, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence. It was so ordered.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The tellers having collected and counted the several ballots reported that the following named brethren had received a majority of votes cast, and they were declared duly elected:

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master.
Henry T. Burnap, R.W. Deputy Grand Master.
Ralph H. Wheeler, R.W. Senior Grand Warden.
Austin H. Scrogin, R.W. Junior Grand Warden.
Leroy A. Goddard, R.W. Grand Treasurer.
Isaac Cutter, R.W. Grand Secretary.

The minutes were read and approved.

CALLED OFF.

At 1 o'clock p. m. the M.W. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, A. D. 1912. A. L. 5912
9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The M.W. Grand Master called the Grand Lodge from refreshment to labor at 9 o'clock.

Grand Officers and Representatives were present same as the preceding day.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

REPORT—Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

To the M W. Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Illinois.

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances fraternally submit the following report:

No. 1.

Cerro Gordo Lodge No. 600
vs.
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Your committee recommend that the accused be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry; and that the M.W. Grand Master take steps to place the Worshipful Master of Cerro Gordo Lodge on trial for violation of his obligation.

No. 2.

Creal Springs Lodge No. 817
vs.
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Your committee recommend that he be indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 3.

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vs.
Temple Hill Lodge No. 701

Your committee recommend that the action of the lodge be sustained.

No. 4.

BEN HUR LODGE No. 818
vs.

Your committee recommends that the action of the lodge be sustained in this case.

No. 5.

RAVENSWOOD LODGE No. 777
vs.

Your committee recommend that the verdict of the lodge be set aside and the defendant be declared guilty, and indefinitely suspended from all rights and privileges of Masonry.

No. 6.

vs.
TOULON LODGE No. 93

Your committee recommend that action of the lodge be sustained.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH E. DYAS,
GEO. R. SMITH,
A. W. WEST,
JNO. B. FITHIAN,
H. H. MONTGOMERY,
Committee.

REPORT—Board of Grand Examiners.

The Board of Grand Examiners, through its Secretary, Bro. E. E. Beach, reported on the matters referred to them in the Grand Master's Address.

That part of the report which referred to an appropriation was referred to the Committee on Finance. The balance of the report was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

The undersigned committee to whom were referred certain portions of the address of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, beg leave to report as follows:

Grand Lecturers.

The committee are in full accord with the Grand Master in his efforts during the past year to establish and maintain a high standard of excellence and proficiency as a prerequisite of every Grand Lecturer. Not necessarily *a greater number,* but, if possible, *better* and *more proficient* Grand Lecturers should be commissioned. The method of conducting the examinations of those seeking commissions, which has been required by the Grand Master during the past year, will doubtless contribute much toward the accomplishment of the object sought. There should be a high and a *fixed* standard by which Grand Lecturers shall be judged. It should be clearly and definitely understood at the outset that proficiency in the ritual is not alone sufficient to secure a commission nor to retain it. A Grand Lecturer should not only be a proficient teacher of the ritual, but also a man of such character, standing and integrity that all Masons who know him may justly regard him as an exemplar of the principles, the teachings and all that is best in the institution.

Our Schools.

As to the number of the state Schools of Instruction that should be held each year, the committee are of the opinion that the number should not be less than five as heretofore. It is apparent, however, that five state schools have failed in the past and will in the future fail to reach a large number of Masons and lodges greatly in need of just such instruction as is afforded at the state schools. The holding of district schools in sections of the state not reached by the state schools is not an untried experiment. Indeed it is perhaps the best and most efficient method that has been thus far suggested for extending the much-needed benefits of ritualistic instruction to a large proportion of the lodges and lodge officers who would otherwise be deprived of those benefits. The committee, therefore, recommend that there be held, as heretofore, five state Schools of Instruction, and that in addition thereto, an appropriation of five hundred dollars be made and placed at the disposal of the Grand Master, to be used by him at his discretion for an extension of our present system and the holding of district schools of instruction at such times and places as in his judgment may seem advisable.

Cipher Rituals.

The extent of the evil of cipher rituals as disclosed by the Grand Master's address must come as a surprise to the members of the Grand Lodge. We believe that the Masons of Illinois are not ready to abandon the time-honored method of teaching the work from mouth to ear, that the remarkably large number of Masons proficient in our ritual, as well as the high standard of proficiency and excellence in our work attained by them, is in very great measure due directly to our method of teaching by oral instruction. Whether this method of teaching the work be a landmark or not, Illinois Masons cannot afford to abandon a method which has produced such splendid results. The committee, therefore, recommend that the vigorous measures adopted by the Grand Master to stamp out the evil of cipher rituals be approved by the Grand Lodge, and that the possession or use of a cipher ritual be declared to be a Masonic offense deserving and requiring prompt and severe punishment.

Our Ritual.

For the reasons suggested by the Grand Master, your committee are of the opinion that a committee should be appointed for the purpose of determining just what is the ritual of this Grand Jurisdiction and to suggest such changes and grammatical corrections as may seem wise or necessary, and if, after the report of said committee, this Grand Lodge shall adopt or establish a ritual or "work," that the same shall thereafter be subject to change only by formal affirmative action of the Grand Lodge by two-thirds vote at an annual meeting. Your committee, therefore, approve the recommendation of the Grand Master for the appointment of a committee to be constituted as recommended by him, the number of the committee, however, to be nine instead of fifteen, because of the difficulty of securing prompt and efficient results from the action of so large a committee.

Intellectual Masonry.

Your committee fully approve of the suggestions of the Grand Master on the subject of intellectual Masonry. The efforts of the Grand Master during the past year to extend somewhat the scope of instruction at the state schools were productive of some good. It was wholly an experiment and the object sought may be more nearly attained by further experience. To understand our ritual, to appreciate its surpassing beauty, and to comprehend the meaning of its profound symbolism, is equally as important as to be able to *repeat* it correctly. To *understand* is perhaps of even greater importance than merely to *remember*. But to understand and grasp the hidden meaning of the symbolism by which Masonic knowledge is so largely conveyed, will in no measure result in lessening rit-

ualistic proficiency, but will inevitably result in stimulating interest and thus increasing the standard of proficiency attained by our ritualists. Men who are made Masons should be given ample time to arrive at a full realization of the beauties of Masonry as taught by its allegories and symbols. They should not be hurried through the degrees as though *to finish* were the real object and to obtain a large number of degrees were more important than to understand and comprehend the wonderful system of philosophy intended to be taught by the symbolism of Freemasonry.

We, therefore, recommend the approval of the efforts of the Grand Master to broaden and extend the scope of Masonic instruction to the end that there be not only more good ritualists, but more Masons who know what our ritual means and who are willing to display its teachings in their daily lives and conduct.

Fraternally submitted,

J. M. HANNUM,
E. E. BEACH,
J. E. JEFFERS,
A. E. WOOD,
C. L. GREGORY,

Committee.

REPORT—Committee on Finance.

R.W. Bro. S. O. Spring, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Finance fraternally report that it has examined the books and accounts of the R.W. Grand Secretary and the R.W. Grand Treasurer and find the same to have been kept in their usual, systematic and comprehensive manner; that all the moneys due the M.W. Grand Lodge have been received, properly entered of record and duly paid over to the R.W. Grand Treasurer as provided by law; that the R.W. Grand Treasurer has fully accounted for all the funds and property for which he is responsible; that the reports submitted to this annual communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge by these officers respectively, are a true exhibit of their official transactions during the past year; that the cash balances, as reported, are on deposit in the State Bank of Chicago, as evidenced by the certificates of the proper officers, and the securities, as reported, have been inspected and found to be in conformity with the report of the R.W. Grand Treasurer in every particular.

Your committee desire to express their approval of the efficient manner in which the duties of their respective offices have been performed by the R.W. Grand Secretary and the R.W. Grand Treasurer. A synopsis of the financial condition of the M.W. Grand Lodge is shown by the following condensed exhibit taken from the report of the R.W. Grand Treasurer:

GENERAL FUND.

Cash balance on hand, October 3, 1911			$ 59,624.28
Cash received from the R.W. Grand Secretary			64,645.84
Total debit			$124,270.12

CREDIT.

1911.				
October	1	By mileage and per diem paid officers and committees	$ 3,390.10	
October	1	By mileage and per diem paid representatives	16,648.30	
October	1	By miscellaneous orders paid as per vouchers submitted	39,568.93	
		Total credit		$59,607.33
		Balance to credit General Fund		$64,662.79

CHARITY FUND.

1911.			
October	3	Cash balance on hand	$38,086.03
		Cash received from R.W. Grand Secretary	40,692.35
		Total debit	$78,778.38
		CREDIT.	
		By paid vouchers since last report	$40,425.00
		Balance to credit Charity Fund	$38,353.38

HOME FOR AGED FUND.

1911.			
October	3	Cash balance on hand	$320.00
		Cash received from R.W. Grand Secretary during the year	320.00
		Total debit	$640.00

CREDIT.

1912.

By voucher paid since last report$ 52.00

Balance to credit Home for Aged Fund.....$588.00

ILLINOIS MASONIC ORPHANS' HOME FUND.

DEBIT.

1911.

October 3 Cash balance on hand$1,095.00
Received from R.W. Grand Secretary during year 2,011.36

Balance to credit of Orphans' Home Fund..$3,106.36

MASONIC HOME FUND.

DEBIT.

1912.

February 16 Received from R.W. Grand Secretary$5.00

CREDIT.

By paid voucher No. 299$5.00

Your committee find the par value of investment securities in the several funds to be as follows:

Charity Fund$ 800.00
Home for the Aged Fund 8,000.00
Illinois Mason Orphans' Home Fund 47,500.00

Total securities$56,300.00

SUMMARY.

Securities on hand—all funds$ 56,300.00
Cash on hand—all funds 106,710.00

Total assets in Treasury$163,010.00

Your committee recommend that appropriations from the Charity Fund be made as follows:

For the maintenance and support of the Masonic Ophans' Home at LaGrange for the ensuing year$18,000.00
For the maintenance and support of the Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan for the ensuing year, the sum of..... 24,000.00

The above appropriations to be paid as follows: One-half October 11, 1912; one-fourth on March 1, 1913, and the remaining one-fourth on July 1, 1913.

All unexpended balances to be covered into the Grand Lodge Treasury.

We also recommend that the unexpended balances of last year be returned to the Grand Lodge treasury. This has been the custom for many years in this Grand Lodge and we see no reason for changing what seems to have been a very satisfactory system.

Your committee further recommend that appropriations be made from the General Fund to defray the proper expenses of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, to-wit:

For mileage and per diem of Officers, Representatives and committees	$20,000.00
For printing and distributing proceedings	3,200.00
For miscellaneous	3.000.00
For salaries of Grand Officers	6,000.00
For Schools of Instruction	1,200.00
For miscellaneous expenses	4,600.00
Total	$38,000.00

Your committee also further recommend that orders be drawn upon the General Fund for the following expenses, to-wit:

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, Committee on Correspondence	$ 500.00
M.W. Bro. Edward Cook, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Ceremonial and Blue Book	500.00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, services as Grand Tyler	100.00
Bro. C. S. Gurney, sundry expenses	133.28
Bro. Z. T. Griffin, stenographer	50.00
Bro. Geo. A. Stadler, Deputy Grand Secretary	25.00
Oriental Consistory, rent	300.00
Total	$1,608.28

Your committee, realizing the constantly increasing amount of work of the Grand Secretary's office, and in view of the fact that he pays the rent of his office and clerk's salary out of his personal salary of three thousand per year, leaving only about twenty-one hundred dollars for his personal services, which amount we believe to be too small a sum for the work he performs, we, therefore, recommend that an order be drawn in

his favor for six hundred dollars as an extra compensation for the past year.

Referring to the several communications from Hot Springs Lodge No. 62, A.F. and A.M., of Hot Springs, Arkansas, your committee desires to report that we have had the same under consideration and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, that the Grand Lodge of Illinois extends moral support to the undertaking and recommends to constituent lodges a fair consideration of the enterprise, and should it meet with their ability and pleasure, a donation to this cause will be well placed and used only in support of the Great Brotherhood of the Fraternity.

Regarding the communication from the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, your committee desire to report that they have given the matter careful consideration, and in view of the financial condition of the Grand Lodge at this time, and further, that, so far as we are informed, little progress has been made up to the present time, in carrying out the proposed plan—we therefore, recommend that no action (other than the one-hundred dollars annually, which the Grand Lodge pledged one year ago) be taken at this session.

Referring to the resolution offered by M.W. Brother Owen Scott that a new list of Masonic lodges of the world be printed, we beg to say that we have considered the same and recommend the printing of one thousand copies.

Referring to the report of the Committee on District Lodges of Instruction as recommended by the M.W. Grand Master, your committee approve of the same and recommend that a special appropriation of five hundred dollars be made for that purpose.

Your committee further submit the following:

First.—That the members of the several committees in attendance upon this annual communication be allowed and paid $3.00 per day for each day's service rendered in addition to the compensation provided by the by-laws.

Second.—That your committee be authorized to preserve the paid orders during the past year upon the R.W. Grand Treasurer for one year for reference if necessity arises.

Fraternally submitted.

S. O. Spring,
T. A. Stevens,
N. N. Lampert,
Committee.

REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. M. C. Crawford, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence. On motion it was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence is of the following opinions upon:

"Questions Referred."

Does the necessity of wearing a truss which it would be dangerous to remove, even temporarily, disqualify the man from receiving the degrees in Masonry?

The Grand Master replies that it does not disqualify him and your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence approves of the decision of the Grand Master.

"Jurisdiction of Chicago Lodges."

The question of extending the jurisdiction of Chicago lodges over the whole of Cook county has been referred to your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence by the committee upon the Grand Master's Address. As stated by the Grand Master, in his address, your committee find this is a question involving of such great consequence that they cannot be decided by the committee with satisfaction to themselves and to this Grand Lodge within the time available at this session of the Grand Lodge. Your committee, therefore, recommends that a committee of five be appointed by the Grand Master to consider carefully the many questions arising and to report to the next session of the Grand Lodge.

"Amendments."

In view of the fact that a large number of amendments are offered to the constitution and by-laws of the Grand Lodge at each of its sessions, and to the end that these amendments sometimes come before the Grand Lodge for action without sufficient time for consideration or sufficient presentation and consideration of their various phases, your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence recommend that a committee be raised called Committee on Laws and that no amendments be adopted until the same is referred to said committee and they have reported their conclusions and findings upon the advisability of adopting the same.

"Amendment to Constitution."

In answer to the question whether the amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution limiting the vote of each constituent lodge in the Grand Lodge to one vote, thereby depriving the Wardens of the constituent lodges of a right to vote is legal? Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully report that the amendments to article two and also to section two, article eight of the Grand Lodge Constitutions are in conflict with our present charter and therefore are illegal and void.

Your committee is further of the opinion that the amendment to subdivision nine of section one of article eleven of the constitution, having been submitted to carry out the amendment to article two and to section two of article eight, should be considered as a part thereof and falls with the other amendments.

"Delayed Installations"

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence concurs in the recommendation of the Grand Master that installation ceremonies should be held within thirty days after election and recommend that the same be adopted as a requirement of this Grand Lodge.

"Masonic Emblems in Government Cemeteries."

Upon the question of the advisability of the adoption by this Grand Lodge of a resolution favoring the passing of House Joint Resolution No. 271, relating to emblems on monuments in government cemeteries, it is the opinion of your committee that this Grand Lodge should take no action in relation thereto.

"Revision Committee."

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence recommend that the portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to the committee for the revision of the book of ceremonial and our blue book be approved and the Grand Master's recommendation concurred in.

"Black Balls."

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence approves of the holding of the Grand Master that one-half of the ballots in the ballot box shall be black and that a sufficient number of ballots be used so that the business may be properly conducted.

"Recognition of Good Standing in Other Grand Jurisdictions."

Is a man who has been made a Master Mason in a grand jurisdiction not recognized by this Grand Lodge but who is no longer a member in that jurisdiction and who comes to us with a dimit showing that he was last a Master Mason in good standing at the time the dimit was issued in a grand jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Lodge, entitled to petition a lodge in our jurisdiction for affiliation?

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence is of the opinion that we should recognize the good standing of the petitioner because he comes to us as a M.M. who was last in good standing in a grand jurisdiction which is recognized by this grand jurisdiction and that he may petition a lodge in this jurisdiction for affiliation.

"Expenditures of Funds of a Lodge by Its Master."

The Grand Master has referred the question recently asked him,—Can the Master spend lodge funds without the consent of the lodge? Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence are of the opinion that the treasurer of a lodge can disburse the funds of a lodge only upon the written order of the W.M. and the consent of the lodge.

"Uniform Laws."

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence herewith returns the circular letter of the Grand Master of Kentucky in regard to uniform laws without recommendation.

"Questions Previously Answered."

Since the last session of the Grand Lodge and before the beginning of this session the Grand Master submitted questions to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence which were answered from time to time and which are published in the letter of information and orders from the Grand Master, dated Bloomington, Ill., February 1, 1912, and in his letter upon the use of masonic emblems, dated Bloomington, Ill., March 25, 1912, and which appear appended to the Grand Master's report. Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence now asks that these several holdings and rulings be approved together with the balance of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Monroe C. Crawford,
W. B. Wright,
C. E. Allen,
A. W. Gage,
Jos. Wetzel,
Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Proposed.

M.W. Bro. Edward Cook offered the following amendment to Art. 1, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto a new section, 5. Being seconded by the representatives of more than twenty lodges, it goes to the Committee on Laws.

Amend Art. 1, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto:

Sec. 5. There shall be a Committee on New Legislation, consisting of three members of the Grand Lodge, appointed by the Grand Master—one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve three years.

To this committee shall be referred all propositions to amend the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, after the same have been seconded by the Grand Lodge as now provided, and the committee shall report them back to the Grand Lodge with its recommendations as to action thereon. No amendment shall be finally voted upon by the Grand Lodge until said committee has considered and reported upon the same, when it must be favored by a two-thirds vote before becoming law.

To this committee shall also be referred all decisions made by the Grand Master. The committee shall put these decisions into the form of law, giving them numbers under the appropriate article and section of the law, and report thereon to the Grand Lodge. All decisions by the Grand Master shall have the force of law until next meeting of Grand Lodge, but no longer unless then reported upon by the committee and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge.

ORATION.

The Grand Orator, M.W. Bro. Alexander H. Bell, delivered the annual oration. The thanks of the Grand Lodge were extended to the Grand Orator for his learned, eloquent and instructive oration, and it was ordered that it be printed in the Proceedings.

In the years that are gone many distinguished brethren have delivered orations before this Grand Lodge. The origin and history of Masonry, its tenets and its teachings, its admonitions and its rich rewards, have been eloquently and elaborately discussed.

When I began to consider what should be the subject of my discourse, what message I could bring to you, I found myself embarrassed indeed. It seemed to me that every available or appropriate topic had already been presented. I sought earnestly for an appropriate subject. The origin of Masonry, its growth and development, its vicissitudes and its victories, its teachings and its tendencies, its inspirations and its world wide influence,—surely somewhere in this vast field it would seem one could without difficulty make a judicious selection. Flitting from one topic to another; with enthusiasm exploring the wonders of one, and again revelling in the glories of another, gathering an inspiration here, catching a fleeting vision there, imagination at length wearied with the immensity of its excursions, returns to earth, having gathered, yet abandoned, brighter gems than any that I can now bring to you.

At length it came to me as a glad relief that I was to speak to practical men of the day, to men who need help, not rhetoric; who ask guidance, not pictures wrought through exuberance of fancy. The embellishments of rhetoric signify naught unless there be sound sense and practical value in the message.

Renouncing, therefore, every temptation to say fine things even if I might aspire to it, I shall speak to you plainly, and I trust helpfully, upon a very commonplace matter. I am going to talk to you about a man. Not of mankind in general. Not of humanity, but of a man, one man; and you, my individual Brother, are the man of whom I shall speak. I shall no doubt refer to humanity and to its development and history, but only incidentally, and as being the broader concept inclusive of the individual of whom I speak.

Permit me to say at the outset that in so far as I assume to advise direct or admonish you, my Brother, I am meaning to apply to myself whatsoever I may say to you. I am not speaking to this great concourse of men. I am speaking to you, you, you, my single individual Brother, as my only auditor.

To have a just conception of your dignity, responsibility and destiny as a man, you should first have a clear conviction as to your origin. You should be able to answer with confidence the query, "Whence came you?" Was your remotest ancestor a man, or did you descend from a protoplasm? Was a babboon or something less or lower than a man your progenitor? I am quite well aware that it has become fashionable to give assent to the so-called doctrine of evolution. Many of our scientific gentlemen in their zeal, practice a species of intellectual gymnastics and give birth to many wonderful theories. Many a man who knows little or nothing of music will

pretend to be charmed with the performance of some musical celebrity, merely because he supposes that by so doing he will distinguish himself above the common herd. Many a man seeks to gain a reputation for scientific attainment by vociferously announcing his belief in any vagary that some great scientist has evolved from his superheated brain.

At the risk of being called an old fogy, and of being classed with those who are ignorant, I am ready to declare here and now that I am not a believer in this doctrine of the evolution of man from some lower order of animal life. Undoubtedly, climate, topography, in short environment, greatly modifies every form of animal and vegetable life, but there is no difficulty in distinguishing a cat from a dog, or a horse from a cow, or a man from a monkey in any corner of the earth or at any period of its history.

Pigeons always were pigeons. Blue-jays always were blue-jays, and monkeys always were and always will be monkeys. No one ever saw one species of animal life in process of changing to another. The transformation of a tadpole into a frog, or of a chrysalis into a butterfly, is the way of nature in those particulars. The science of eugenics is possible only under the guiding intelligence of man. The calf that was born over in Indiana with two heads and six legs does not prove that nature is seeking to give us an improved breed of cattle, nor is it a reversion to a former type. The individual is a freak and that is all there is of it. The Siamese twins do not tend to prove that nature is struggling to bring us into the world as doublets, nor are they suggestive of an earlier type when all men were so born. The anthropologist cannot prove that we have developed through countless centuries by tedious and painful evolution from some lower form of animal life. He merely has a theory to expound. I cannot absolutely prove the contrary, but I am willing to give my faith to a creed that will permit me to have some respect for myself and for my fellowman; some for my ancestry and some hope for the future.

The man who believes that he descended from a monkey is mistaken in that element of his proposition which assumes that he has descended at all. *He* has not descended. *He* is a monkey still. No respectable lunatic ever supposed that tadpoles or frogs or snakes or birds or beasts were immortal. If you have an immortal part in you, when in this supposed process of evolution was immortality imparted to your ancestry? How far up this evolutionary ladder must the individual ascend before he ceases to be a bug or a beast and becomes an immortal soul?

My Brother, you and your remotest ancestors came from the hand of God as men, created men, were men at the moment of creation. If God wanted to create men, and unquestionably he did, he would know how to do it and he would do it by his almighty fiat without leaving it to the uncertain, indefinite and blind process of evolution. I may be a mossback but I claim no kinship with the monkey. That one species of animal life may be modified or developed is doubtless true, but that one species has ever changed or developed or evolved into another species and thus on and up and always on and always up is merely an assumption not susceptible of proof.

This, my brother, is the first great truth which I hope you will grasp and hold steadfastly while you live.

After what fashion did God create man? We are taught that "God created man in his own image. In the image of God created he him." No one supposes that this likeness refers to physical form. God can have no physical form. We are created after the image of God in this, that he has infused into us a part of himself. It may be only a scintilla of his divine essence. The most disordered imagination cannot conceive of a dead God. Neither can any part of our Divine Creator be dead.

If we be not immortal, then we furnish the only instance in all God's universe where any form of life is cut off before reaching its full maturity. I speak not of the individual, but of the race. The child may die by accident or disease as the tender plant just bursting through the ground may be killed. Every form of animal and vegetable life reaches its fullest possible development before death. Man does not. There would be no purpose in prolonging the life of any beast or bird. There is no development, no improvement either in the species or in the individual. The birds last spring built their nests in the park across the way just as they built them in the Garden of Eden. The bird builds its first nest just as readily and as efficiently as it builds its last nest. There is no improvement. So it is with every form of animal life. Not so with man. The mind of man, the soul of man, is capable of infinite development and expansion.

Imagine a man exempt from the enervating effects of advancing age, and with his life indefinitely protracted, what inconceivable development would be possible to such a man!

If my mind is to become sluggish and torpid or disordered as my years increase, and if when this body is returned to earth my soul likewise is to be blotted out, then there is a death to a something

that has not reached its full stature and development, and it is the only instance where such a waste is found in nature.

Where are your loved ones who have gone before? Are they dead? Have they flown to some other planet? Are their spirits in some strangely attenuated form diffused through space, or are they here now, interested witnesses of this scene?

If they are here, why do they not make themselves known to you? Why do you not communicate with them? There is a space, a chasm between us and the spiritual world that we can not cross in the flesh. Our outstretched hands can reach nothing in the darkness that surrounds us. Have you paused, my brother, to consider that you can know the world outside of your own consciousness only through the means of the five human senses? If a man could neither see nor hear nor feel nor smell nor taste, he could do nothing but be conscious of his own existence, but wholly unconscious of all the world besides.

Does it follow merely because we cannot see or hear or feel or smell or taste a thing that it therefore has no existence? It is natural, indeed inevitable, that it should be impossible for you fully to conceive of anything beyond your experience. You cannot imagine a color that you never saw. Try as you will, you cannot imagine a form, a shape that is not composed of forms and shapes familiar to your experience. Imagination is held in leash by experience and can never soar beyond the limits which its master experience has imposed, and yet it were the vainest presumption for any man to assert that his experience or all human experience hath encompassed and doth comprehend all truth.

A blind man can put forth his hands and through the sense of touch he may learn something of the form and texture of objects within his reach, but he can know nothing of objects at a distance nor have any conception of color. If all humanity had been created without the sense of sight, there could be no conception of color. But would that prove that there is no such thing as color?

The flowers of springtime in their multiplied glories give answer to the question. That bow of promise which spans the heavens would advertise to all the universe the glorious radiant colors of the rainbow, though there were no eye to behold it. If all mankind had been denied the sense of sight and of feeling there could be no conception of form. The human mind would be wholly unable to conceive of a straight line or of a curve. Surfaces, cubes and spheres would be inconceivable, but straight lines and curves, surfaces, cubes and spheres would nevertheless exist. Though the hand of man had never fash-

ioned any of those things and could not do so they would all necessarily, potentially exist.

No man of candor and intelligence can affirm that a thing does not exist merely because through the medium of our physical senses we cannot apprehend it. If instead of knowing the world through your five human senses, still other senses were given to you, would not the horizon which marks the limit of human knowledge be lifted? Another window to the soul would manifestly broaden its view. Beyond question no man can affirm that it would not do so.

If you were in a room in which there were lights, windows situated in the east, west and south but none in the north, could it therefore be affirmed that there is nothing beyond that northern wall? A window in the north would disclose beautiful landscapes until then undiscoverable. For a man to assert that there is nothing in the universe except such things as are perceivable through his human senses is vain presumption and stupidity.

My brother, you are a special product of the creative power of God. You have an immortal part within you which shall survive the grave and which can never, no never die. The limitations imposed upon your present imperfect life have denied to you all means of seeing, hearing, feeling or knowing the spirits which attend you, but they are here. The Supreme Spirit is your guardian and protector always.

"All along my humble way,
My every step is guarded well,
For following close by night and day,
There walks an unseen sentinel,
In burning heat and noonday light,
His hovering wing is o'er me bent,
And on my pathway every night,
I see the shadow of his tent."

If these great truths be fully apprehended and assimilated, what responsibility is thus thrust upon you. What dignity! Of what value can immortal life be to a man who wastes the opportunities of this life? This life is but preparatory for the life beyond. The future life is but a continuance of your life here. You will retain your identity. You will be you. What kind of an individuality will you carry beyond the heights which separate time from eternity?

My Brother, it is your undeniable duty as a man to cultivate to the highest degree and efficiency this mind and soul principle with which you are endowed and which distinguishes you from all of the others of God's creatures and marks you as his special creation, a veritable child of God. You have it in your power to be a forceful,

honorable, helpful man. To be less than this is positive sin. There must be a fixed, definite, steadfast and unfaltering resolution to advance, always to advance. A resolute will guided and directed by intelligence is your sword and buckler before which all enemies which beleaguer your pathway will be readily brushed aside. A sturdy will knows no defeat. No hindrance impedes its progress. No obstacle to it is insuperable. No adverse circumstances can enervate it. Nothing can stand before it. "For fiends of water and earth and fire, are baffled and beaten by the ire of a dauntless human will."

It is in your power to become markedly proficient in almost any particular you may choose. I have heard men bemoan their misfortune at not being able to speak in public, or play on a musical instrument or to do some other desirable thing, and accordingly and for that reason alone they would not make the effort. When you go to hear a great singer or instrumental performer, you get the brilliant result. You do not see the years of patient study, of unremitting practice through which alone this result is possible. "There is no excellence without great labor."

Great labor, patient effort, an unflagging purpose, will make you a star in almost any field in which you would care to shine. I want to be plainly understood here. Let me illustrate. Jack Johnson is today recognized as the chief of the pugilistic world. I am a lawyer chiefly distinguished for that peculiarity which Caesar so much disliked in Cassius—"A lean and hungry look." What has made so great a difference between us? Did Almighty God make Johnson the champion of the prize ring and me a weakling in comparison? No. Johnson and I have done that for ourselves. It is by no means certain that with proper training I might not have been his superior as a prize fighter. What is the difference between us? He has two legs and two feet. So have I. He has two arms and two hands. So have I. He has ten fingers and ten toes. So have I. He has two eyes and two ears. I have as many. I have one heart and one stomach. He has no more. Where, then, is the difference? It is only in the training, in the purposes and ambitions of the men. Had I from youth given my entire time and attention to the study and practice of athletics, of wrestling, of boxing, of prize ring tactics, and had Johnson from his youth given no attention to these things and stayed closely in a law office and lived on the meager earnings of a country lawyer, I am sure that I could whip Mr. Jack Johnson with ease and dispatch. There is no question of genius or talent in it.

One man is learned and another ignorant. One eminent and another obscure, not because they were thus created, nor because they were endowed with such talents or peculiarities as must produce those

results, but because one has cultivated and improved his powers while the other has neglected them.

"The heights by great men won and kept
Were not attained by sudden flight,
But they, while their companions slept
Were toiling upward, in the night."

Indolence and ignorance are inseparable companions. Well directed industry is the guaranty of attainment. "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves that we are underlings."

I seek earnestly, my Brother, to impress indelibly upon your mind and memory while life lasts a realizing sense of your Divine origin, of your kinship with God and with all mankind, of your eternal destiny and of the awful responsibility which all this imposes upon you. We live in a materialistic age. One would naturally suppose that the progress of humanity along material lines has been uniform and gradual from the beginning. This, however, is not true. Nearly every great advance in material things has been made in very recent times. Only one hundred years ago when the emigrants came over the mountains and peopled these great prairies of Illinois, they travelled as the ancients travelled in the days of Pharoah. They harvested their grain and threshed it as they did on the banks of the Nile when Moses led the Children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

One hundred and twenty-five years ago there was not a railroad in the world. Not a steamboat. Not a telegraph line nor a telephone. Not an automobile. Not a steel trussed building. There was not a threshing machine. Not a harvesting machine. Not even a reaper. Not a gang plow. Not a sewing machine, nor a cotton gin. There was not an electric light. Not a gas light. Not even a coal oil lamp. Chloroform, ether, cocaine, laughing gas and antiseptic surgery were unknown. In short, nearly everything which forms a part of the so-called progress and development of our day is of very recent origin. What does all this signify? It means that men have gone mad in the study of material things. Natural philosophy, chemistry, electricity, and in short every branch and ramification of what we broadly call physics is receiving the most laborious study, while man himself in his real essence is neglected.

In ancient times when men knew less and cared less about physical objects around them, they studied profoundly the great problems of life and death and eternity. They sought to fathom the mysteries of their own souls. They closely studied and analyzed the processes whereby mind communicates with mind. Men in those days studied

logic, metaphysics, language, rhetoric and art with the result that centuries before the birth of Christ there was an ornate and classic literature, orators, logicians, metaphysicians, poets and artists such as this boasted age of ours cannot equal.

Some old philosopher has said that on earth there is nothing truly great but man and that in man there is nothing truly great but mind. It is the mind of man, the soul of man that dignifies and ennobles you, and lifts you into kinship with all the heavenly hosts.

Enrich your mind abundantly in a general knowledge of things, but know your own soul. Cultivate the habit of careful reflection on the great problems of life and eternity. Many a man is lonesome when alone; he wants company always. A man who is not good company to himself is not good company for another, unless indeed such other is a shallow-pate as well. You must be intellectually independent, and to be this you must cultivate and adorn your mind by liberal and persistent study of all that can enrich and ennoble it. Every man should understand that no instructor can give him culture, no college can educate him. You must do this for yourself. Your mind can be enriched, cultivated, broadened and ennobled only by its own efforts, precisely as your arm can be strengthened only by its own exercise.

Every human soul is conscious at times that in all the universe it is alone with its God. In every great crisis of your life you stand alone. In every great crucial period your soul stands solitary and must decide and act on its own initiative and responsibility. I care not how busy your life, nor how intimately and constantly you associate with others, you feel ofttimes oppressed at the solitariness of your position. The wind is blowing between you and all others.

Every human soul conscious of its own entity and individuality retires into itself, and views all others at a distance. There are corridors and aisles in every human soul that have never echoed with the sound of human tread. It is the solitariness of your soul, its essential independence, its sublime isolation that thrusts upon you that fateful responsibility which can neither be denied nor avoided. It is in the silent chambers of the soul that God speaks, and it is in these secret courts that every great crisis is met and passed, every soul struggle fought and every hallelujah of victory sung. "All men come into this world alone. All leave it alone." Though you journey through life keeping company and beating step with millions, yet, when you drop out of that unending procession you fall out of the ranks alone. When you drop this mortal frame and stand before your Creator you will stand all alone. There are but two beings in the

universe at that moment. The Creator and his creature are there alone. There will be but one man before the judgment and, my Brother, thou art the man.

Learn then the supreme importance of knowing yourself and of relying upon your own judgment and effort in every time of trial. No wife, parent nor child can bear your burden nor relieve you of the real responsibilities that devolve upon you. No teacher can make you learned. You must study and reflect.

No preacher nor saint can immunize you from sin. Regeneration must come from within. Every resolution of amendment, every inspiration to lofty endeavor, every glimpse of the brighter radiance, of a better world, must come to you behind the guarded portals of your own individuality, within the holy of holies of your own soul, when none is present but you and your God.

I am quite conscious that admonition is ofttimes valued according to the personality of him who gives it. What doth it signify that I am in as great need of the warning and advice which I give as you are? If I speak truth then it shall not be denied. Truth is the truth though the Devil speak it, and it can be no more than truth though angel choirs proclaim it.

My Brother, great opportunities are given to you, and much may be expected of you. You must grow, develop, expand and accelerate intellectually and spiritually or there will be inevitable retrogression. All life implies growth, development. When these cease, death is impending. You must grow or you must decay. Life is an onward flowing stream and for those who are embarked on its bosom there is no such thing as rest. Take in your oars and the current bears you downward. Not to advance is to recede. Not to pull with lusty stroke up stream is to drift idly down stream. Face the responsibilities of life with courage. "Quit you like men."

It is an elementary principle of political economy that the essence of value consists in the difficulty of attainment, and that the labor necessary to overcome that difficulty is the measure of the value produced. Set your mark high and keep your eye on it. Entertain no foolish doubts. "Our doubts are traitors and make us lose the good we oft might win by fearing to attempt." I speak for the dignity of manhood, the value of human life.

It is for you, my Brother, to determine what your life and character shall be. You are today what you have made yourself. While environment, circumstance may somewhat modify our lives and conduct, they cannot make character. You can be what you will to be.

If environment or circumstance produced Andrew Jackson or Daniel Webster or Abraham Lincoln, how does it come that the environment of their times produced only one of each. Circumstances may determine where you shall live, what business you shall follow or in some measure what success shall attend your efforts, but you have it wholly in your power to be a good man and true and to fix the measure of your attainment. Enlightened conscience, sedulous endeavor, a dauntless will can bear down every obstacle and plant the banners of victory upon heights which at first seemed insurmountable. "Nor stony towers, nor walls of beaten brass, nor airless dungeon, nor strong links of iron, can be retentive to the strength of spirit."

Let every setting sun leave its record of some victory won, some progress in a worthy cause, some generous deed, some growth in moral and intellectual stature. Look up, my brother, look up. See the light beyond. Let not your eyes waver from the radiance above. Fidelity to truth insures your character against infection. Move forward, my Brother, upward, my Brother. Upward in moral tone. Upward in spiritual aspirations. Upward in the trend of your thought. Upward in righteous living. Upward in accelerating fellowship with the God who made you.

Conscious of your divine origin and that you are living for eternity, so live, so die, that when all unattended you pass through the dark valley and rise upon the heights beyond, you may go into the presence of your Maker clean, and in well rounded measure fit to become a living stone in that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Then, then, my Brother, will your exultant soul join in that swelling chorus—

"Joy, joy, forever our task is done,
The gates are past and Heaven is won."

REPORT—Committee on United Charities.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the report of the Committee on United Charities, the Grand Master ruled that inasmuch as the report contemplated an expenditure of money it should be referred to the Committee on Finance. It was so referred.

REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

M.W. Bro. P. C. Barclay, Chairman of the Committee on Chartered Lodges, presented the report of that committee. On motion the report was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committe on Chartered Lodges having carefully examined the returns of the constituent lodges for year ending June 30, 1912, beg to submit the following statement:

INCREASE.

Number raised	8,767
Number reinstated	329
Number admitted	1,294
Number added for error	88
Total increase	10,478

DECREASE.

Number suspended	860
Number expelled	14
Number dimitted	2,252
Number died	1,460
Number deducted for error	54
Total decrease	4,640
Net gain in membership	7,027
Total membership June 30, 1912	115,095
Number of chartered lodges	807
Number residing in Illinois	102,656
Non-resident members	12,439
Number initiated	9,159
Number passed	8,789
Received from dues for year ending June 30, 1912	$103,484.70
Contributed to members, their widows and orphans	$44,635.93
Contributed to those not members	5,206.16
Contributed to Masonic Home	608.85
Contributed to Masonic Orphans' Home	1,066.90

We note continued improvement in the work of the Secretaries in general, still there is room for further improvement in some cases as to

the manner and neatness in making their returns. Our work has been lightened considerably by the neat and accurate manner in which all the reports have been tabulated by the Grand Secretary, and we congratulate you on the fact that not a single lodge is delinquent in any way.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PHIL C. BARCLAY,
C. P. ROSS,
JAMES MCCREDIE,
A. M. HALLOWELL,
JAMES JOHN,
Committee.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Proposed.

The following amendment to Art. 2, Sec. 3, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, was offered. Being seconded by the representatives of more than twenty lodges, it goes to the Committee on Laws.

Add to Section 3, Article 11, Part 2, the following:

"The territorial jurisdiction of every lodge, located in any city or town, shall include the whole of such city or town."

REPORT—Committee on Petitions.

Bro. Louis Zinger, Chairman of the Committee of Petitions, presented the following report, which was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Petitions beg leave to make the following reports:

The petition of Calvin P. Bushman, represents that on or about January, 1906, he was expelled by Trinity Lodge No. 582, for unmasonic conduct, from a certificate under the seal of the lodge and the hand of the secretary. We find that Trinity lodge has recommended to this Grand Lodge the restoration of the said Calvin P. Bushman to all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Your Committee unanimously recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

The petition of Andrew H. Whalen represents that on or about October 5, 1899, he was expelled by Dearborn Lodge No. 310 for unmasonic conduct, from a certificate under the seal of the lodge and the hand of

the secretary. We find that at a stated communication held September 19, 1912, out of a total vote of 37 cast, 34 votes were cast petitioning this Grand Lodge to restore him to all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Your Committee recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

The petition of Jos. Frank Seeber represents that on or about August 25, 1910, he was expelled by Waubansia Lodge No. 160, for having failed to state that five years before, he had petitioned Wright Grove Lodge No. 799 for the degrees in Masonry, that after having received the degrees in Waubansia lodge, he learned that he had violated masonic law, in not stating in his petition to Waubansia Lodge No. 160 that he had previously made application to Wright Grove lodge for the degrees in Masonry. From a certificate from the secretary we find that at a stated communication held September 25, 1912, by a unanimous vote (37 votes cast) they petitioned this Grand Lodge to restore him to all the rights and privileges in Masonry. Your Committee recommends that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

A communication is before your Committee from one Wm. F. Hunt who resides in Pittsfield, Mass. He represents that he was made a Mason in Roxbury, Mass., about the year 1864, some years afterwards, was dimitted and joined National Lodge No. 596, Chicago, Ill., moved to Boston, and owing to financial troubles he stated he got behind in his dues. No demands were made for payment of the same, he claims. He afterwards learned that the charter of National lodge was arrested, he remitted $5 which is now in the hands of the Grand Secretary, and therefore petitions this Grand Lodge to place him in good standing. Your Committee finds upon investigation that National Lodge's charter, No. 569, was arrested in 1894. In view of the fact that Mr. Hunt has failed to furnish this Committee with any evidence, other than the communication itself, showing that he was ever a member of the aforesaid lodges, we therefore recommend that the Secretary of this Grand Lodge write to Mr. Hunt and request him to furnish evidence so that it may finally be disposed of at the next session of this Grand Lodge.

A communication to M.W. Grand Master Darrah and referred to this Committee from the secretary of Utica Lodge No. 858, requesting a quit-claim deed to lot two, block nineteen, in Oak Hill Cemetery, the title was in Cement Lodge No. 304, which ceased to exist in the year 1888. We therefore recommend that the proper officers of this Grand Lodge convey the said lot in Oak Hill Cemetery to Utica Lodge No. 858, so that it can be used for the purposes it was originally intended.

The petition of Samuel DeBiry Peeler, formerly a member of Belknap Lodge No. 822, A.F. and A.M., represents that at the beginning of

the year 1910 he was elected W.M. of said lodge and that on or about July 31, 1910, was deposed as W.M. of Belknap Lodge No. 822, and indefinitely suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry by M.W. A. B. Ashley, G.M., for violation of masonic law. The said petition of Samuel DeBiry Peeler is accompanied by strong endorsement from leading Masons familiar with the case and offense, as well as the unanimous endorsement of Belknap Lodge No. 822, and while your Committee recognizes the action taken by the M.W. Grand Master at the time, we now believe that Mr. Peeler has been sufficiently punished, and in view of the fact that he is now as he has always been, a reputable and law abiding citizen, standing high in the community in which he lives, we believe that it would be to the best interest of Masonry that the prayer of the petition be granted and we therefore recommend that the said Samuel DeBiry Peeler be reinstated to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

The petition of Bro. A. E. Stoker, of Buffalo, Sangamon county, Illinois, and a member in good standing of Dawson Lodge No. 556, was one of the petitioners for a lodge, under dispensation, at Buffalo, Ill., in the year 1911, and was also one of the petitioners for charter for a lodge at said place. That a charter was granted said lodge at Buffalo, Ill., but the name of Bro. A. E. Stoker was omitted.

Inasmuch as Bro. A. E. Stoker is a member in good standing in Dawson Lodge No. 556 and is in no manner affected in his masonic standing, we therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted. We further recommend that no name be added to a charter after it has been issued by this Grand Lodge.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

LOUIS ZINGER,
W. F. GIBSON,
N. M. MESNARD,
Committee.

ADDITIONAL REPORT—Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee made the following report in the United Charities matter:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.:

Your Committee on Finance to which has been referred the Report of the Committee on United Charities, beg leave to report and to recommend that the report of the committee be not adopted.

S. O. SPRING,
NELSON N. LAMPERT,
THOMAS A. STEVENS,
Committee.

After a full discussion of the matter the report of the Finance Committee was adopted.

INTRODUCTION.

Bro. Abraham Shaw, Representative of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of Canada, was introduced and accorded Grand Honors.

Brother Shaw spoke as follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Illinois:

I consider myself honored in being allowed to look into the faces of my brethren of this great state. Since the time that I received my appointment, signed by your M.W. Grand Master, Moulton, I have coveted for myself the pleasure, of on some date being in the city of Chicago and looking at the Grand Lodge of Illinois. I have not had the pleasure of coming to Illinois before in my life. I have visited my own Grand Lodge, which has a membership of less than 50,000. I understand you number 115,000. I speak regarding the greatness of your lodge numeri cally. I don't think there is any lodge better in the world than the lodge I am connected with; nevertheless, in numerical strength, you certainly are superior to us.

I come from the city of Kingston, just at the junction of the St. Lawrence, and I have been told that there are more from Kingston living in the city of Chicago than there is in the city of Kingston. I presume there is a great deal of truth in this, and I presume, in the early days of this city you had your contingent coming from Kingston, and a great many of those Kingstonians have witnessed the way you have grown up. You have had your residents from that little city, here, helping you to be great.

I can remember well in Masonry, because I have attended my own Grand Lodge in 1879, and I can remember very well that during that time that honors have been conferred upon me, and one of the greatest honors that ever I received in Masonry was, when I joined, a boy not quite twenty-two, when the Master of my lodge conferred the degrees upon me. That was an honor, Sir, that I have retained in my memory ever since. I saw something of Masonry then; I rejoice in it.

There is another feature about Masonry, and that is its relationship which we bear to each other no matter where we are, no matter what states we live in, or what flag floats over us. You love your flag; I love your flag; I love my own flag, and I want to say there are no border lines for our fraternity with the other cities of the land; we have learned that one great lesson, that we are one in heart, one in desire for the betterment of mankind and one to promote the purposes of the great institutions under which we live; I have learned that and I know the history of my own free nation that I belong to has known it, that Masonry has played an honorable part in the relationship of peace between our great nations, and I sincerely hope we never shall depart from it.

We have "froth" in Canada, you have it in your states. You find as you go along Niagara Falls that there is "froth" on the surface of the water, but underneath there is the clear water. There may be "froth" on the surface or in the minds of some in Canada. I live near the Thousand Islands and a gentleman of the United States bought an island that was in his own country, and just a few steps over from his platform, there was a big rock, and it stood out in the river, and that man thought he would drill a hole in the rock—that rock was in Canada—and he did not know it, perhaps, but he thought he would drill a hole in the rock and hoist an American flag on the rock. It was hoisted one afternoon, and the next morning a man came along, took an ax and cut it down. He says: "You can't put up that flag here on our side without our permission." That is "froth." In a few days that American citizen owned the rock; he bought it and he put his flag there. That is "froth."

Now let me say that while our form differs from yours in Grand Lodge I have watched you with pleasure. I listened to that address yesterday morning, with the greatest joy. Then again, I listened to the remarks of some of your committees, whose reports were being read, and I thought of that old song, "The Psalm of Life," written by one of your own poets, and I believe, Brethren, that the very foundation of our order and the very thought of the heart are embodied in some of the stanzas of that poem,

> In the world's broad field of battle
> * * *
> Learn to labor and to wait.

As I listened to your Orator a few minutes ago, I did hope that they would print his address in your proceedings and I should have the pleasure of reading it. And when I listened to the Beginnings of Life—

I thought of these fitting words of Archbishop Tunch, in speaking to a great crowd in a large Cathedral in Britain:

"Listen, I say to thee, do thou repeat,
To the first man thou mayest meet
In lane, highway or open street,
That he and we and all men move,
Under a canopy of love,
Broad as the blue arch above."

Brethren, it is the same blue arch, the same great canopy of love, that God, in His great power, will encircle us, as men working for the one great aim, the uplifting of society, the strengthening of everything that is good. I thank you, Most Worshipful Master.

RESOLUTION.

Bro. Rolla R. Longnecker, W.M. of Candida Lodge, offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Dear Brethren:

WHEREAS, The Gil. Barnard Masonic Hospital Association was incorporated under the laws of the state of Illinois as a corporation (not for pecuniary profit) for the purpose of providing hospital care and assistance to all Master Masons and those depending on them who are sick and are without the necessary means to procure the same. And

WHEREAS, The said Hospital Association has made suitable arrangements with the German Hospital on the north side of Chicago and the Wesley Hospital on the south side of Chicago for the care of the members of the craft. And,

WHEREAS, The said Hospital Association is now and has been for the last two years, caring for such members in the above named hospitals. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That to the end that the officers and members of this Grand Lodge may fully know the means, manner and work carried on by our Hospital Association,

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed at this meeting of the Grand Lodge to inquire into the work done and being done by our Hospital Association and report the same to the next Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

W. E. BUEHLER, *President.*

The Grand Master appointed a special committee on Unfinished Business consisting of Brothers Owen Scott, H. T. Burnap and Ralph H. Wheeler, to bring before the Grand Lodge on Thursday the amendments to the By-Laws offered at the session of 1911.

CALLED OFF.

At 12:45 p. m. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until Thursday morning.

THIRD DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912
9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The M.W. Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor by the M.W. Grand Master at 9 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master announced that through an oversight on the part of the committee in charge the balance of the money in the Cherry Mine Fund had not been distributed to the donors and that it would be attended to without further delay.

The Grand Master read a clipping from the *Mt. Vernon Register* signed by seven Master Masons, and announced that he would order the D.D.G.M. of the 45th District to prefer charges against the signers.

REPORT—Committee on Jurisprudence.

M.W. Bro. Monroe C. Crawford, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, made the following report. It was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence further reports

Contributions to Public Schools.

The letter of October 5, 1912, to this Grand Lodge in reference to a compromise of the question of tuition for the education in the public schools of the orphans at their LaGrange Home, together with accompanying papers, have been carefully considered by your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, and we are of the opinion that there is no just

reason why these orphans should be charged for the usual public school education which is furnished free to children having a parent or parents.

If state funds collected for the public schools are not distributed equitably between the several school districts of the state your committee knows the trustees of the Home will co-operate with the local authorities in an effort that justice be done.

Your committee feel that this Grand Lodge is doing its full duty when it supports, maintains and supplies its orphans with a home and home influences and that the state should furnish the usual education, the same as it does for its more fortunate children.

We therefore recommend that the whole matter be left in the hands of the trustees of the Home.

Questions Referred.

What is the status of an entered apprentice where a lodge not having jurisdiction has received and acted favorably on his petition for the degrees in Masonry and confer the entered apprentice degree upon him, all without fault upon the part of the candidate? He is an entered apprentice.

What should be done with the fee paid by him to the lodge conferring the degree?

This fee should be turned over to the lodge having jurisdiction of the candidate.

By-Laws of Constituent Lodge.

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence is of the opinion that a by-law of a constituent lodge requiring each Master Mason within one year to acquire proficiency in the M.M. degree only fixes the policy of the lodge and plainly states the Masonic duty of the members. No penalty could be inflicted by the lodge for its breach.

Physical Qualifications.

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence has examined the four photographs of a right hand not possessing one joint of the first or index finger and while we cannot say from the photographs that the owner possesses the necessary physical requirements of a petitioner for the degrees in Masonry, yet if the loss of the short end of the first finger is the only question then your committee are of the opinion that the owner does possess the necessary requirements, for it appears from the photo-

graphs that he could advance by the regular steps giving and receiving each and every grip, sign and word, all of which are necessary.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

MONROE C. CRAWFORD,
WM. B. WRIGHT,
C. E. ALLEN,
ASAHEL W. GAGE,
JOSEPH WETZEL,
Committee.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Proposed.

R.W. Bro. E. E. Beach offered the following amendment to the Grand Lodge By-Laws; being seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, they go to the Committee on Law.

Amend Section 3, Article 6, Part One, Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Sec. 3. He shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with such security as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed by these by-laws.

Amend Section 2, Article 5, Part One Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The Grand Treasurer shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with security to be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in these by-laws, and at the end of his term, or sooner, if lawfully required so to do, pay over and transfer to his successor in office all funds, securities, books, records, vouchers, or property belonging to the Grand Lodge, which shall have come into his keeping.

REPORT—Committee on Chartered Lodges.

Bro. Phil C. Barclay, Chairman of the Committee on Chartered Lodges, made the following report. It was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M., of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Chartered Lodges beg to present this special report on those portions of the M.W. Grand Master's address, which have been referred to us.

District Deputy Grand Masters.

The M.W. Grand Master, having wisely inaugurated a system of inspection of the constituent lodges, clearly defining the duty of the District Deputy Grand Masters, empowering them to inspect the records, the paraphernalia and manner of doing the work, to give such advice and making such recommendations as he deemed necessary, incorporating the same in a full and complete report of each lodge separately.

Your committee has carefully gone over the reports submitted and find that the following twenty-eight District Deputy Grand Masters inspected and reported on all the lodges in their respective districts:

No. 2	Harry W. Harvey.	No. 34	Ralph M. Riggs.
No. 3	H. A. Dever.	No. 36	R. E. Gifford.
No. 6	Wm. H. Bied.	No. 38	Geo. M. Todd.
No. 12	D. M. Baird.	No. 40	W. M. Rupe.
No. 15	F. H. Bradley.	No. 41	C. O. Faught.
No. 19	W. A. Hoover.	No. 42	C. M. Hamilton.
No. 22	D. E. Farr.	No. 43	Lysanius Caywood.
No. 23	L. M. Morton.	No. 44	I. H. Todd.
No. 25	L. W. Lawton.	No. 45	D. F. Fitzgerald.
No. 26	H. M. Palmer.	No. 46	J. R. Ennis.
No. 27	C. L. Sandusky.	No. 47	I. A. Foster.
No. 28	Wilson P. Jones.	No. 48	M. Ozmant.
No. 29	A. T. Summers.	No. 49	C. H. Thompson.
No. 33	Emmet Howard.	No. 50	E. J. Cowling.

Eighteen District Deputy Grand Masters made partial reports on their district, while four failed to realize the importance of their office or its duties and made no report at all.

While on the subject of these reports, we will add that R.W. Bro. Wm. Arens, who was appointed Special District Deputy Grand Master, in charge of the nine German speaking lodges, made full and complete reports on all of them.

Of the 807 lodges we received reports on 611, so the figures given deal only with that number and not to the total number of lodges.

That all of the lodges inspected were not properly equipped, conducting their affairs or keeping their records according to the laws and instructions, the answers to the following questions on the District Deputy Grand Masters' blanks will show:

Do minutes record character of reports of investigating committee?
The minutes of one hundred and seventy-three lodges show that the character of the reports were a matter of record.

Do minutes show receipts for dues and fees as required by law?
142 do not.

Do minutes show time of opening and closing?
299 do not.

Are minutes signed by both Master and Secretary?
In 310 lodges they were not properly signed.

Does lodge use form of petition for degrees and affiliation adopted by the Grand Lodge at its annual meeting in 1910.
197 lodges do not use them.

Are by-laws of lodges in harmony with Grand Lodge by-laws?
In 126 lodges they were not.

Are dues of members collected promptly?
In 134 lodges they were not.

Are books of Secretary and Treasurer audited each year?
In eighty-seven they are not.

In addition to the above about one-third of the lodges reported were lacking in proper paraphernalia.

After the District Deputy had made his inspection he would call attention to their needs as to their paraphernalia, explain the laws and instructions, and offer suggestions and recommendations correcting all irregularities and incorporate the same in his report. Your committee recommend that the reports made last year be placed again in the hands of the District Deputy Grand Masters and that on their visits the coming year they see whether or not the requirements and recommendations have been complied with. By pursuing this course we will in a very short time have uniformity not only in the work, but in paraphernalia and manner of keeping records.

Now as to expenses. The actual expenses of the visits, in some cases, were paid by the lodge visited, but in a great many instances were borne by the District Deputy Grand Master, and we do not believe that

he should be called upon to spend his money in addition to giving his time to the work. Your committee firmly believe that the craft will readily see the importance of the action of the M.W. Grand Master in more clearly defining the duties of the District Deputy Grand Masters in relation to their official visits to their lodges and which, when fully understood and carried out, will be of incalculable benefit to the lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction, and we recommend that an amendment to our by-laws be adopted covering the actual legitimate expenses of said deputies while making official visits and inspections.

Smoking in Open Lodge.

We emphatically declare ourselves in favor of the adoption of that portion of the address relative to smoking in open lodge during the conferring of any degree, and your committee recommend that the M.W. Grand Master issue an edict to that effect.

German Speaking Lodges.

As to the German Speaking Lodges we believe that the recommendations in the M.W. Grand Master's address should meet with your approval, and we recommend that his action in appointing a Special District Deputy Grand Master for the German Speaking Lodges be sustained and that he be empowered to continue such appointments until such time as the state shall be redistricted.

Moon Lodges.

As to that portion of the M.W. Grand Master's address referring to lodges holding their stated meetings according to the moon, we recommend that such lodges change their by-laws so that their stated meetings will fall upon a fixed calendar date.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil. C. Barclay,
C. P. Ross,
A. M. Hallowell,
James McCredie,
James John,
Committee on Chartered Lodges.

AMENDMENT—To By-Laws—Proposed.

The Committee on Chartered Lodges offered the following amendment to the Grand Lodge By-Laws, which, being

seconded by representatives of more than twenty lodges, goes to the Committee on Laws.

Amend Section 7, Article 13, by adding the words "Including District Deputy Grand Masters" after the words "Grand Officers," when amended, Section 7 to read as follows:

Every Grand Officer, including District Deputy Grand Masters, shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any monies actually expended in the necessary discharge of his official duties, but in all cases the claims for such reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements of Section 1 of this article.

REPORT—Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials presented their detailed report, which was adopted. The summary is printed here; the detail in the Appendix.

SUMMARY.

Grand Officers	20
Past Grand Officers not otherwise enumerated	1
Representatives of other Grand Lodges not otherwise enumerated	
District Deputy Grand Masters	48
Members of Committees	68
Representatives of Lodges	942
Total	1079
Number of lodges represented	766

REPORT—Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented their report in detail. It was adopted; the detailed report will be found in the Appendix.

ADDITIONAL REPORT—Committee on Petitions.

Bro. Louis Zinger, Chairman of the Committee on Petitions, presented an additional report from the Committee on Petitions. The report was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.

Since having made our report in reference to the petition of Mr. W. F. Hunt of Pittsfield, Mass., beg leave to report that we have been furnished with sufficient evidence, that he was a member of National Lodge No. 596 at the time that the charter was arrested in 1894.

We, therefore, recommend that the action taken by this Grand Lodge in this case be reconsidered and that Mr. W. F. Hunt be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS ZINGER,
W. F. WILSON,
N. M. MESNARD,
Committee.

REPORT—Committeee on Obituaries.

Bro. Chas. H. Martin, Chairman of the Committee on Obituaries, presented the report of this committee. It was adopted by a rising vote.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of the State of Illinois:

Brethren:—The proceedings of this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge conceived of as a symphony (if it be not to consider too curiously to so conceive of them), it becomes the prerogative of your Committee on Necrology to improvise and arrange the minor chords.

In the endeavor to discharge this melancholy function, it would be amiss from the purpose to assume the role of the hired mourner, or to attempt to jar the sensibilities by any assumption of, or hint at, catastrophe. True, it has been said, and with some measure of reason, that "Death is an unsurveyed land, an unarranged Science. Poetry draws near Death only to hover over it for a moment, and withdraw in terror. History knows it simply as a universal fact. Philosophy finds it among the mysteries of being, the one *great* mystery of being *not*. All contributions to this dread theme are marked by essential vagueness, and every avenue of approach seems darkened by impenetrable shadow."

But it has also been said, and more conformably to the hope entertained by reverent and devout Freemasons, that "We are born for a higher destiny than that of earth. There is a realm where the rainbow never fades; where the stars will be spread out before us like the is-

lands that slumber in the ocean, and where the beings that pass before us like shadows will stay in our presence forever."

The hope of immortality, thus poetically delineated, is innate in the mind of man, is more definitely set forth and revealed in "That Great Light in Masonry," the Hebrew sacred writings, and its realization must be in accordance with the will of The Supreme Architect of the Universe. Then, all who entertain this hope, and live with reference thereto, at the conclusion of their earthly labors enter upon the realization of this hope. We would fain believe that all of our departed brethren belonged (and still belong) in this category, and if so, instead of having been overtaken by irremediable catastrophe, their activities have simply been transferred to a perfect and unchanging environment, where they have been freed from the embarrassments, and limitations which hamper and mar the highest endeavors in this mixed existence. We bestow no tears, and entertain no sorrow because of the present status of our departed ones, nor would we call one of them back to earth. But, as we briefly take note of their services to the craft, while here in the flesh, and inscribe their names finally on the roll of the honored and cherished dead, we remember that their relations to the state as citizens have been severed; that our associations with them as members of the craft have been interrupted; and that family ties have been sundered and broken. All of these relations, and all the relationships which bound our departed brethren to earth have ceased, nevermore to be resumed—in time. The contemplation of the state of those homes deprived of the ministration of the husband, and father; of the lodges where fraternal chains have been broken; of the careers of citizens of the state which have been closed forever; these are the cause and inspiration of the notes of sadness to which appropriately, and with reason, we give utterance and expression. The sincere and heartfelt sympathy of every member of the great craft in Illinois goes out to those who are in tribulation or affliction on account of the loss of husband, father, brother or friend, and from every heart in this presence ascends a prayer to heaven for the blessing of our Heavenly Father upon the widows and orphans of our departed brethren.

OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS.

From reports received from sister Grand Lodges, it appears that the following list of Grand Lodge Officers, and Past Grand Lodge Officers, have during the year been called from their earthly labors to eternal refreshment.

Arkansas.

The Grand Lodge of Arkansas has sustained the loss of M.W. Past Grand Master George A. Dannelly, who departed this life December 24, 1911, in the eighty-ninth year of his age. In the announcement of his death, the Grand Master says: "In the past history of this Grand Lodge, among the great and eminent brethren, he stood with the first and foremost. He served as Grand Master in 1874, and as Grand Lecturer for twelve years, beginning in 1873, and ending in 1892, with occasional years intermitted." * * * "In 1852 he joined the Methodist church, and in October of that year he was licensed to preach, and from that time onward he labored in the vineyard, spreading the knowledge of salvation to the people until incapacitated by disabilities. May the memory of this Grand Old Patriarch ever rest among us like a benediction." AMEN; So mote it be.

Colorado.

The Grand Lodge of Colorado has sustained the loss of Bro. Andrew Sagendorf, M.W. Past Grand Master of that grand jurisdiction. He was born in Columbia county, New York, in 1828, and died in Denver, Colorado, August 2, 1912. He received the degrees in Masonry in Hudson Lodge No. 7 in the jurisdiction of New York in 1857. He moved to Denver in 1858. He was a charter member and the first treasurer of the first masonic lodge organized in Denver. He was elected Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Colorado in 1864, Deputy Grand Master in 1866, serving in the latter office for two years and was elected Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1883. He filled with distinction many offices in the state of Colorado. He is said to have been an upright man, and an exemplary citizen.

Delaware.

From the Grand Lodge of Delaware comes the announcement of the death of Brother John P. Allmond, M.W. Past Grand Master of that Grand Lodge, having served as Grand Master during the years 1873 and 1874. He was born in the city of Wilmington, May 6, 1835, and lived all his life time in the city of his nativity. He died March 24, 1912. He filled many public offices with distinction, among others, that of mayor of his native city, Wilmington.

Iowa.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa has suffered the loss of Brother Lewis Jackson Baker, M.W. Grand Master of Iowa, in 1901-1902. He was born in Greene county, Pennsylvania; was a physician of some distinction, and practiced his profession in Ottumwa, Iowa, during the greater

part of his life. His death occurred at Kalispell, Montana, and his funeral was conducted by the Grand Lodge of Montana.

The same Grand Lodge has also sustained the loss of Brother Rollin Madison Hunter, who served as M.W. Grand Master of that Grand Lodge in 1907-1908. He was born in Iowa in 1858, and died at Sibley in said state on June 26, 1912. As a citizen and as a Mason our distinguished brother stood high. Professionally he was a lawyer, and the Grand Master says of him: "In his profession Brother Hunter stood at the top, a student in the truest sense, always giving freely of his time to his clients, whether rich or poor." He was buried under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

From the same Grand Jurisdiction is reported, also, the demise of Brother Liberty Eaton Fellows, M.W. Past Grand Master, who was born in 1834, and died July 17, 1912. He was elected Grand Master of Iowa in 1893, and re-elected in 1894. Like M.W. Brother Hunter, he was by profesion a lawyer. He served for some time in the House of Representatives, and afterwards, in the Senate of his state, and at time of his death, had for many years been judge of the 13th judicial district. In the announcement of his death the Grand Master characterizes him as: "The true Mason; the righteous law-maker; the just judge; the Christian man;" *What a grand eulogium.*

From the same Grand Lodge comes the announcement of the death of Brother Joseph Chapman, M.W. Grand Master of that Grand Jurisdiction for the years 1872 and 1873. He was born in Pittsburg, Penn.. in the year 1831 and died at Painesville, Ohio, August 27, 1912. In the announcement of his death, the Grand Master says: "He lived to see the breaking of many earthly ties, which to him, were but the strengthening of heavenly ones, and he realized that, as from the darkest earth there comes the whitest lily, so from the darkness of death the soul rises to bloom in immortality."

Minnesota.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota mourns the loss of Brother George Washington Prescott, M.W. Grand Master of that Grand Jurisdiction for two years,—1864 and 1865—who departed this life on March 21, 1912. He was born in the state of Maine in 1826, and moved to St. Paul in 1850. He was a gallant soldier in the Civil war, enlisting in 1862, in the 6th Regiment, Minnesota Volunteers, and was later assigned to duty on the staff of Gen. Sibley, where he served till the close of the war. From 1868 till 1892 he was a minister of the Baptist church.

The Grand Master says of him: "He loved truth and justice in his heart, and worked righteousness all his life."

From the same Grand Jurisdiction comes also the announcement of the passing of Brother Samuel Emery Adams, Past Senior Grand Warden, whose death occurred March 29, 1912. He was born in Vermont in 1828 and in 1856 removed to Minnesota. He was a member of the Senate of Minnesota in the last territorial legislature, holding that office at time of its admission into the Union, was an officer in the Union Army during the Civil war, and since that has filled with distinction many offices in his adopted state. The Grand Master says that he was "kind, sympathetic, genial, and charitable, and was one of the best known Masons in the state." He served as Junior Grand Warden in 1858, and as Senior Grand Warden in 1859.

Mississippi.

On the 9th day of November, 1911, Bro. M. M. Evans, M.W. Past Grand Master of Mississippi, "Answered the call of His Master to come up higher." His death occurred at Moss Point, Miss., where for more than thirty years he had lived. At time of his departure he was sixty-one years old. Was Grand Master of Mississippi in 1888.

He served his state as Lieutenant Governor for four years, and as Railroad Commissioner for nine years. The Grand Master says, that he "was always an active and aggressive factor on the side of all moral questions, in contending for what is highest and best in life."

From the same Grand Jurisdiction is reported the passing of Brother Enoch George De Lap, M.W. Past Grand Master, whose death occurred December 24, 1911. Brother De Lap was born in Green county, Wisconsin, and at time of his death was seventy-three years old. He was a soldier in the Union Army, during the Civil war (33d Wisconsin Volunteers) and moved to Natchez soon after the close of the war, where he lived the remainder of his life. In 1886 he was elected Senior Grand Warden, and in 1887 Grand Master of Mississippi,—both elections being by a unanimous vote,—an experience which has never been the lot of another in that Grand Jurisdiction . (So says the Grand Master.) After rehearsing at length the various activities of the deceased brother the Grand Master further says, "Quite a singular record for a carpet bag Yankee, who came to Natchez with the Federal Army, and was admitted to Masonry by ex-Confederate soldiers, advanced to the highest honors in the order by many of these ex-Confederate soldiers, their sons, and descendents?"

From the same Grand Jurisdiction, the tidings come, announcing the departure of Bro. John S. Cobb, M.W. Past Grand Master, who was born

in Mississippi in 1853, and died at Verona in said state, January 17, 1912. The Grand Master says: "He was a successful business man, and at time of his death was one of the leading merchants of Verona. He was a life long member of the Baptist church, and a zealous worker in the Sunday School. A loyal friend, and a good citizen."

MONTANA.

From the Grand Lodge of Montana comes the announcement of the death of Brother LEANDER WARREN FRAY, M.W. Past Grand Master of that Grand Lodge. He was born at Moravia, N. Y., in 1825, and died at Pasadena, Cal., October 24, 1911. He received the degrees in Masonry in Lodge No. 225, at Fremont, Ohio, in 1853.

In the announcement of his death, the Grand Master says:

"Masonically our brother was a historic character, and filled an important place in the beginnings of Masonry in Montana." * * * "In Virginia City, Montana, he was instrumental in the organization, and was first Master of Montana Lodge No. 2, in 1865 and 1866, the second lodge in the territory. When the Grand Lodge of Montana was organized in 1866 Brother Fray was present as Master of Montana Lodge. He took an active part in the proceedings, and it was he that drafted the resolution providing for the organization of the Grand Lodge of Montana. At the first election when our Grand Lodge was organized, he was chosen Deputy Grand Master, and in 1867 became the second Grand Master." * * * He was highly esteemed as a Mason and as a citizen."

NEW YORK.

The Senior Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, Bro. CHRISTOPHER G. FOX, departed this life at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 5th day of September, 1912. He received the degrees of Masonry in Erie Lodge No. 161, in 1854, but upon the formation of Queen City Lodge No. 358, he became a charter member of that lodge, and served as its Master in 1859. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-second Masonic District from 1865 to 1867. Was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1867, and by regular gradation became Grand Master in 1872, which exalted office he held for two years. In the announcement of his death, the Grand Master says, "More than half a century Brother Fox stood in the fore-front of Masonic activities. He was a man fertile in resources, cultured in intellect and consecrated in heart. Tireless in toil, and conservative in action. Ripe in years and full of honors he has gone to his reward."

Nova Scotia.

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia has suffered the loss of Bro. William Ross, whose death occurred at the age of eighty-seven years, on March 17, 1912. He was elected Grand Secretary of his Grand Lodge in 1889, and served in this office till December 31, 1900. In 1903, he was elected to the office of Grand Master, and served one year, declining a re-election. He was active in politics, and represented his county in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly, and afterwards in the Senate, and filled with distinction other important offices. The Grand Master says, "Brother Ross was called to the Senate in 1906, and was always present when that august body was in session; and death overtook him at the post of duty in Ottawa."

Ohio.

The Grand Lodge of Ohio has sustained the loss of Bro. Jacob L. Hommedieu Long, Past Deputy Grand Master, whose death occurred May 31, 1912. He was a native of Ohio, and was born in 1833. In 1867, he was admitted to the practice of law, and was engaged in that profession the greater part of his life. In 1887, he was elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, and served for one term. The Grand Master says: "He was of a most genial manner, and made friends of those with whom he came in contact. Scholarly in his attainments, he furnished to Masonic literature many veritable gems of thought and diction."

Rhode Island.

On November 25, 1911, the "Grim Messenger" removed from the official family of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island its head, in the person of Bro. James Bacon Gay, M.W. Grand Master. He was born in Providence, R. I., in 1846. In May, 1899, he was appointed Grand Pursuivant, and since then was, till death, in continuous service as an officer of the Grand Lodge. In May, 1910, he was elected Deputy Grand Master, and on death of Grand Master Rugg, in July, 1910, he became Acting Grand Master, serving as such till May, 1911, when he was elected Grand Master, serving in this exalted station till death closed his earthly career.

South Dakota.

From the Grand Lodge of South Dakota the death of Bro. Charles William McDonald, R.W. Grand Treasurer, is announced. He was born in Indiana in 1845, and died at Washington Springs, South Dakota, March 11, 1912. He was at times active as attorney, judge of his home county, and as editor, and filled other important positions in the course

of his life. He served his Grand Lodge as Senior Grand Deacon in 1876, as Grand Marshal in 1877 and as Grand Treasurer in 1879.

Texas.

On June 24, 1912, Dr. Thomas M. Matthews, P.M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, departed this life, at the age of eighty-two years and three and one-half months. He was born in Virginia, receiving the degree of M.D. in 1852, and settled in Texas in 1853. He enlisted as a private in the Southern army in 1861, but was soon made a surgeon, and served in that capacity till the close of the war. In 1881, he was elected Grand Master of Texas. In 1883, he was made a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and from that time till the date of his death he wrote the reports of this important Committee. In announcing his death, the Grand Master says, "The contributions of our distinguished brother to Masonic literature, his various reports as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence easily place him in the front rank of Masonic writers."

West Virginia.

On May 9, 1912, Bro. Hiram Reese Howard, M.W. Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia, departed this life at the age of sixty-nine years. He received the degrees in Masonry in Cache Lodge No. 290 (now defunct), Mound City, Illinois, in 1865. His father was a zealous Mason and gave him the name of "Hiram" in honor of the great Masonic character of that name. In 1867 he affiliated with Minturn Lodge No. 67, West Virginia, by dimit, and continued a member thereof till his death. He filled with distinction many stations in the Grand Lodge of West Virginia, and in 1886 was elected Grand Master. At time of his death he was the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near the Grand Lodge of West Virginia. He was a gallant soldier in the Union army, serving from 1861, (April,) till June, 1864. By resolution of Congress a Medal of Honor was presented to him for brave and distinguished service in the battle of Missionary Ridge. He filled, at times, many important offices in the state of West Virginia.

Wisconsin.

Bro. Daniel McLaren Miller, M.W. Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin died April 25, 1912, at the age of seventy-six years. He was elected M.W. Grand Master of Wisconsin in 1902. On the breaking out of the Civil war, he, being a physician by profession, enlisted as a surgeon in the 28th Wisconsin Volunteers, and served to

the end of the war, when he returned to Wisconsin, resumed the practice of his profession, and continued to follow it till the end of his earthly career.

OUR OWN GRAND LODGE.

The roster of permanent members of this Grand Lodge has, during the year, suffered but a single interruption, namely, by the passing of Bro. William J. A. DeLancey, Past Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, who departed this life, February 13, 1912. He was born in New Hampshire in 1826, removed to Illinois, in 1858, settling at Galesburg, but shortly afterwards removed to Centralia, where he continued to reside till within a short time of his death. He was made a Mason in Alpha Lodge No. 155, at Galesburg, but upon his removal to Centralia affiliated with Centralia Lodge No. 201, where he held his membership till death. During his long life he was always active and zealous in the service of the craft. He was elected Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge in 1872; re-elected to the same office in 1873; elected Senior Grand Warden and served during the years 1874 and 1875, and was elected Deputy Grand Master, and served during the years 1876 and 1877. By profession he was a dentist, in which he became eminent. As a citizen he was universally esteemed by all who knew him. "It may be truly said of him, that his death removes one of the Ancient Landmarks of Centralia."

"Green be the turf above thee."

Rev. Bro. William White Wilson,

R.W. Grand Orator of this Grand Lodge, at its last annual communication, was instantly killed on September 6, 1912, as the result of a street car accident. He was born in Philadelphia, Penn., in 1847. He was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Landmark Lodge No. 422 in the city of Chicago, on October 2, 1891, and since that time has been an active and zealous Mason. For seventeen years he served his lodge as Chaplain. For twenty-two years he served the "Flock" known as St. Mark's Episcopal church in the city of Chicago, as it is said, "Preaching, praying, promising, singing, sorrowing, but always optimistic." Death overtook him as he journeyed from a meeting of the brethren of the church to a meeting of the brethren of the lodge. In noting the departure of this good brother, as appropriate in lieu of comment, we quote from John Bunyan's immortal allegory: "Now, just as the gates were opened to let in the men, I looked in after them, and behold, the city shone like the sun. The streets, also, were paved with gold, and in them walked many men with crowns on their heads, palms

in their hands, and golden harps to sing praises withal. There were also of them that had wings, and they answered one another, saying, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord; and after that they shut the gates, which when I had seen I wished myself among them."

Bro. Herbert Samuel Hurd,

Past Grand Examiner, died in Chicago, June 28, 1912. He was a member, and a Past Master of Home Lodge No. 508, and was well known in Masonic circles throughout the state. He was commissioned as Deputy Grand Lecturer in 1893, and from that time till the date of his death was an active teacher of the standard work. He served on the Board of Grand Examiners for two years, being appointed to that position in October, 1899, and re-appointed in 1900, which important position he filled with distinction. For twenty years, Brother Hurd was known as a "letter perfect" teacher of the ritual. He was also a most impressive and effective worker. Better than all this, those who were most intimate with him say, that in his daily life he exemplified the teachings of Masonry as exactly and as beautifully as was his rendering of the ritual. He will be missed by the brethren of many lodges, especially in the city of Chicago.

"Blessed is the man, who when he whispers the final pass, leaves such a name and record to those he loved, and who loved him."

Your Committee has to report the following list of Masters and Past Masters of constituent Lodges of Illinois, who have since last report been called upon to cease their earthly activities, and answer the summons to eternal refreshment.

Bro. Lewis Megowan, Past Master of Franklin Lodge No. 25, died October 25, 1911. (Term of service as Master not known.)

Bro. William E. Ginther, Master of Charleston Lodge No. 35 for the years 1869, 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1878 and 1892, died September 22, 1911.

Bro. James H. Phillips, Master of Olive Branch Lodge No. 38 for the years 1858, 1864 and 1867, died October 6, 1911.

Bro. Leven D. Gass, Master of Olive Branch Lodge No. 38 for the years 1899 and 1900, died January 17, 1912.

Bro. William Walter Stevens, Master of Mt. Joliet Lodge No. 42 for the years 1862 to 1865, inclusive, died March 26, 1912.

Bro. Alonzo T. Pipher, Master of Fraternal Lodge No. 58 for the years 1865, 1866, 1899 and 1900, died February 18, 1912.

Bro. Edward Grube, Master of Acacia Lodge No. 67, for the year 1899, died December 4, 1911.

Bro. Lyman Sanderson, Master of Acacia Lodge No. 67, for the year 1911, died March 12, 1912.

Bro. Charles Fisher, Master of Central Lodge No. 71 for the years 1853, 1859, 1860, 1861, 1862, 1871, 1872, and 1878, died July 1, 1911.

Bro. Samuel Hoyles, Master of Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 90 for the years 1859, 1871 and 1878, died February 10, 1912.

Bro. Gustavus Wideman, Master of Jerusalem Temple Lodge No. 90 for the years 1894, 1895 and 1900, died March 17, 1912.

Bro. William H. Weirick, Master of Taylor Lodge No. 98 for the years 1888 and 1889, died January 27, 1912.

Bro. Henry Clay Mills, Master of Magnolia Lodge No. 103 for the year 1905, died June 15, 1912.

Bro. Joe M. Morrow, Master of Marion Lodge No. 130 for the years 1901, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1911, died June 7, 1912.

Bro. James A. Rose, Master of Golconda Lodge No. 131 for the year 1886, died May 29, 1912.

Bro. Orin Hopkins, Master of Marengo Lodge No. 138 for the years 1906 and 1911, died June 8, 1912.

Bro. John Gilmore Bliss, Master of Olney Lodge No. 140 for the year 1900, died June 26, 1912.

Bro. George McWilliams, Master of Garden City Lodge No. 141 for the year 1885, died June 9, 1912.

Bro. George Henry Vaupell, Master of Garden City Lodge No. 141 for the year 1896, died August 19, 1912.

Bro. Andrew W. Ball, Master of Delavan Lodge No. 156 for the years 1863 and 1864, died April 21, 1912.

Bro. Frederick E. Eubeling, Master of Urbana Lodge No. 157, for the years 1890 and 1891, died July 23, 1911.

Bro. Puffer Chenery, Master of Matteson Lodge No. 175 for the years 1875, 1881, 1882 and 1883, died March 22, 1912.

Bro. John B. Harding, Master of Staunton Lodge No. 177 for the year 1891, died December 7, 1911.

Bro. Marvin M. Morse, Master of Meridian Lodge No. 183 from January, 1871, to January, 1883, inclusive, died August 12, 1911.

Bro. Camillus McClure, Past Master of Freedom Lodge No. 194 for the years 1894, 1895, 1896, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, died October 19, 1911.

Bro. Thad. T. Lauchner, Master of Louisville Lodge No. 196, for the years 1893 to 1895, inclusive, died August 9, 1911.

Bro. Frank Martin, Master of Wilmington Lodge No. 208 for the years 1882 to 1887, inclusive, and for the year 1891, died February 20, 1912.

Bro. Chester Barley, Master of LeRoy Lodge No. 221 for the years 1883, 1884 and 1888, died July 22, 1911.

Bro. John Evanson, Master of LeRoy Lodge No. 221 for the year 1910, died June 11, 1912.

Bro. John M. Abell, Master of Brooklyn Lodge No. 282 for the year 1910, and for the year 1912, (until date of his death,) died February 13, 1912.

Bro. Thomas McNeice, Master of Meteor Lodge No. 283, for the years 1905 to 1907, inclusive, died March 19, 1912.

Bro. John H. Latham, Master of Meteor Lodge No. 283, for the year 1898, died May 9, 1912.

Bro. William E. Gilliland, Master of Columbus Lodge No. 227 for the years 1873, 1874, 1881, 1887, 1900, 1901 and 1902, died February 28, 1912.

Bro. Henry D. Herbert, Master of Raven Lodge No. 303 (time of service not known), died November 13, 1911.

Bro. Henry Helle, Master of Raven Lodge No. 303, (time of service not known,) died June 11, 1912.

Bro. Walter Scott Muir, Master of Dearborn Lodge No. 310 for the year 1892, died October 25, 1911.

Bro. Bradford Lee De Golyer, Master of Kilwinning Lodge No. 311 for the year 1899, died April 10, 1912.

Bro. Erastus F. Baker, Master of Palatine Lodge No. 314 for the year 1907, died May 4, 1912.

Bro. Milton R. McKinley, Master of Doric Lodge No. 319 for the year 1894, died April 4, 1912.

Bro. J. Newton Price, Master of Windsor Lodge No. 322 for the year 1901, died February 21, 1912.

Bro. N. A. Hauge, Past Master of Orient Lodge No. 323, (time of service not known,) died on the —day of March, 1912.

Bro. William Harvey Howell, Master of Harrisburg Lodge No. 325 for the years 1895 and 1896, died April 2, 1912.

Bro. Marion May, Sr., Master of Sumner Lodge No. 334 for the years 1878, 1879, 1882 and 1888, died August 6, 1911.

Bro. David Fey, Master of Schiller Lodge No. 335 for the year 1869, died July 3, 1911.

Bro. Thomas Jefferson Nuckols, Master of Ark and Anchor Lodge No. 354 for the year 1876, died December 4, 1911.

Bro. Henry Dawson, Master of Ark and Anchor Lodge No. 354 for the year 1891, died January 3, 1912.

Bro. Samuel Aaron Hedrick, Master of Noble Lodge No. 362 for the year 1906, died April 9, 1912.

Bro. John Bland, Master of Oxford Lodge No. 367 for the years 1907 and 1908, died November 1, 1911.

Bro. J. E. Brown, Past Master of Jefferson Lodge No. 368, (time of service not known,) died April 13, 1912.

Bro. Thomas Gibbs, Master of Gill Lodge No. 382 for the years 1873, 1893, 1894, 1896, 1898, 1899 and 1900, died December 26, 1911.

Bro. Milton D. Frazer, first Master of Bridgeport Lodge No. 386, and also master for the years 1869, 1883 and 1884, died June 6, 1912.

Bro. N. C. Price, Master of Oconee Lodge No. 392 for the year 1907, died February —, 1912.

Bro. August H. Bruge, Master of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409 for the year 1899, died November 5, 1911.

Bro. Charles B. Morrow, Master of Thomas J. Turner Lodge No. 409 for the year 1909, died December 28, 1911.

Bro. John Henry Lesch, Master of Washburn Lodge No. 421 for the years 1904, 1905 and 1911, died November 30, 1911.

Bro. Richard Cyerly, Master of Chebanse Lodge No. 429 for the year 1891, died October 15, 1911.

Bro. A. G. Brewster, Past Master of Philo Lodge No. 436, (time of service not known,) died September 1, 1911.

Bro. Charles David North, Master of Yates City Lodge No. 448 for the years, 1893 to 1896, inclusive, and 1899, died April 22, 1912.

Bro. Eli H. Wilkins, Past Master of Mendon Lodge No. 449, (time of service not known,) died August 5, 1911.

Bro. George Hutchinson, Master of Bromwell Lodge No. 451 for the years 1903, 1904 and 1907, died March 17, 1912.

Bro. Samuel Arthur Friedman, Master of Maroa Lodge No. 454 for the year 1901, died March 5, 1912.

Bro. George Sippell, Master of Nokomis Lodge No. 456 for the years 1873, 1875, 1877, 1878, 1881 and 1885, died August 19, 1911.

Bro. Wesley T. Crain, Past Master of Stanford No. 605, (defunct,) (time of service not known,) died January 12, 1912.

Bro. Henry C. Bothwell, Master of Clay City Lodge No. 488, for the year 1872, died May 13, 1912.

Bro. Napoleon B. Morrow, Master of Odin Lodge No. 503 for the years 1889 and 1890, died November 10, 1911.

Bro. Laban Beecher Dixon, Master of Home Lodge No. 508 for the years 1885 to 1887, inclusive, died June 28, 1912.

Bro. Herbert S. Hurd, Master of Home Lodge No. 508 for the years 1891 and 1892, died June 28, 1912.

Bro. Lee Smith, Master of Wade Barney Lodge No. 512 for the years 1868 and 1869, died October 16, 1911.

Bro. James J. Swarthout, Master of Adams Lodge No. 529 for the years 1887, 1888, 1890, 1892 and 1912 (until death), died February 8, 1912.

Bro. C. F. Hapner, Master of Oak Park Lodge No. 540 for the years 1900 and 1901, died December 9, 1911.

Bro. Robert C. Cool, Master of Cordova Lodge No. 543 for the years 1877 and 1881, died November 13, 1911.

Bro. William B. Bloom, Master of Sharon Lodge No. 550 for the year 1882, died March 7, 1912.

Bro. George W. Griswold, Master of Pera Lodge No. 574 for the year 1895, died June 11, 1912.

Bro. Leonard Shontz, Master of Hazel Dell Lodge No. 580 for the year 1898, died February 17, 1912.

Bro. Emery L. Haugham, Past Master of Shirley Lodge No. 582, (time of service not known,) died November 14, 1911.

Bro. George R. Sanderson, Master of Vesper Lodge No. 584 for the year 1904, died February 29, 1912.

Bro. Lewis K. Thompson, Master of Walnut Lodge No. 722 for the years 1877 to 1885, inclusive, and 1888, died February 15, 1912.

Bro. Marshall U. Trimble, Master of Princeton Lodge No. 587 for the years 1879 and 1880, died April 20, 1912.

Bro. Charles M. Howard, Past Master of Clark Lodge No. 603, (period of service not known,) died February 15, 1912.

Bro. Wm. C. Howell, Master of Clark Lodge No. 603 for the years 1906 and 1907, died February 18, 1912.

Bro. Virgil S. Ferguson, Master of Rock River Lodge No. 612 for the year 1888, died February 23, 1912.

Bro. William P. Damron, Master of Basco Lodge No. 618 for the years 1877 and 1878, died June 20, 1912.

Bro. Charles A. Sladeck, Master of Keystone Lodge No. 639 for the year 1905, died February 14, 1912.

Bro. W. F. Rowell, Master of Comet Lodge No. 641 for the year 1883, died May 13, 1912.

Bro. Zach. Wirt, Master of Oblong City Lodge No. 644 for the years 1884, 1885, 1892, 1893 and 1896, died November 23, 1911.

Bro. August Muxfield, Master of Mozart Lodge No. 656 for the years 1899 and 1900, died December 22, 1911.

Bro. John Eli Bready, Master of Rock Island Lodge No. 658 for the year 1875, died June 5, 1912.

Bro. Henry Dietz, Master of Herder Lodge No. 669 for the years 1894 and 1895, died May 24, 1912.

Bro. Warren H. Wilmot, Past Master of A. O. Fay Lodge No. 676, (time of service not known,) died January 1, 1912.

Bro. S. W. Culp, Master of Morrisonville Lodge No. 681 for the years 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889 and 1896, died September 28, 1911.

Bro. Robert J. Colburn, Master of Englewood Lodge No. 690 for the years 1876 and 1881, died August 23, 1911.

Bro. Carson Lawyer, Master of Hutton Lodge No. 698 for the years 1906 to 1909, inclusive, died October 6, 1911.

Bro. William Campbell Link, Master of Ewing Lodge No. 705 for the years 1904 and 1905, died May 2, 1912.

Bro. John M. Bell, Past Master of Morning Star Lodge No. 734, (period of service not known,) died April 21, 1912.

Bro. A. G. Barnes, Past Master of Arrowsmith Lodge No. 737, (period of service not known,) died December 10, 1911.

Bro. Nicholas Martin, Master of Lakeside Lodge No. 739 for the years 1886 and 1888, died March 13, 1912.

Bro. Milam Benjamin Momsell, Master of Danvers Lodge No. 742 for the years 1896 to 1904, inclusive, died January 16, 1912.

Bro. Richard Elvy Parker, Master of Akin Lodge No. 749 for the year 1905, died June 10, 1912.

Bro. Winfield Scott Pierce, Master of Verona Lodge No. 757 for the year 1890, died October 3, 1911.

Bro. D. G. Lindsay, Master of Sullivan Lodge No. 764 for the year 1883, died April 10, 1912.

Bro. Allen Middleton, Master of Mizpah Lodge No. 768 for the year 1903, died November 6, 1911.

Bro. George Henry Frizzle, Master of Lake View Lodge No. 774 for the year 1886, died April 13, 1912.

Bro. Edward Harpfer, Master of Grand Crossing Lodge No. 776 for the year 1901, died February 2, 1912.

Bro. Robert Porter, Master of Grand Crossing Lodge No. 776 for the year 1902, died February 27, 1912.

Bro. Charles Albert Firleke, Master of Beacon Light Lodge No. 784 for the years 1895 to 1899, inclusive, and 1907, died November 8, 1911.

Bro. William H. Cassidy, Master of Lerna Lodge No. 788, for the years 1904, 1906 and 1907, died August 5, 1911.

Bro. Edwin F. Rowland, Master of Auburn Park Lodge No. 789 for the year 1898, died October 13, 1911.

Bro. George M. Brosnihan, Master of Kenwood Lodge No. 800 for the year 1911, died August 31, 1912.

Bro. Alex. Cruden, Master of Kensington Lodge No. 804 for the year 1897, died January 8, 1912.

Bro. Sebastian H. McNabb, Master of Tracy Lodge No. 810 for the year 1908, died October 20, 1911.

Bro. Edwin G. Ruthrauff, Master of Harvey Lodge No. 832 for the years 1902 and 1903, died December 17, 1911.

Bro. William J. Lafferty, first Master of Woodlawn Park Lodge No. 841, died September 2, 1912.

Bro. John E. Evenden, Master of Park Lodge No. 843 for the year 1902, died November 2, 1911.

Bro. James F. Crawford, Master of Bluffs Lodge No. 846 for the year 1904, also Past Master of Naples Lodge No. 68, (defunct,) died May 6, 1912.

Bro. John P. Gurnsey, Master of Cornell Lodge No. 368 for the years 1902 to 1905, inclusive, died November 10, 1911.

Bro. George Parker Nelson, Master of Kenwood Lodge No. 800 for the year 1902, died September 14, 1912.

Bro. Joseph A. Foster, Past Master of Cave-in-Rock Lodge No. 444 (time of service not known), died September 5, 1912.

In conclusion, brethren of the Grand Lodge, let us evince our good taste, and our sense of what is appropriate and fitting, by keeping fresh and fragrant the memory of these, our departed brethren; and may the Supreme Architect of the Universe endue each of us with the disposition, the wisdom and the grace, whereby to profit by the exhibitions of manliness which the records of their earthly activities disclose.

Chas. H. Martin,
Geo. E. Carlson,
R. G. Bright, *Committee.*

A resolution was offered by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott that the bonds of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be fixed at $30,000. The resolution was adopted.

REPORT—Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation.

Bro. R. F. Locke, Chairman of the Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, made the second report of that committee. A motion was made and carried that the matter of a new lodge at St. Joseph be postponed for further consideration. The balance of the report was adopted.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Lodges U.D., to which was referred the matter of the petitions for dispensations from Algonquin, Warrensburg and St. Joseph, submit the following:

Algonquin.

The petition for dispensation from Algonquin is signed by twenty-eight brethren who reside in that village, twenty-six of whom are mem-

bers of Dundee Lodge No. 170 of Dundee. The three nearest lodges to the proposed new lodge are Nunda Lodge No. 169, located at Crystal Lake; Dundee Lodge No. 190, located at Dundee, and Lounsbury Lodge No. 751, located at Barrington. Dundee Lodge and Barrington Lodge have consented by a unanimous vote to the granting of a dispensation to the brethren at Algonquin, but Nunda Lodge has refused to grant such consent, their objection being that the organization of a new lodge at Algonquin will remove from their jurisdiction the village of Cary, in which the objecting lodge has a membership of twenty-one. A technical objection can be raised to the consent given by Lounsbury Lodge to the organization of the new lodge as the proposition did not lay over a month as required by law. The intent of the brethren of this lodge however, to give their consent to the organization of a new lodge is plainly manifest.

We have given careful consideration to the claims of the petitioners and to the objections of the brethren of Nunda Lodge and fully concur in the report of the commission which recommends the granting of the dispensation asked for. We are of the opinion that it will be for the best interests of Masonry to grant the petition for dispensation.

We, therefore, recommend that the matter of the consent of Lounsbury Lodge be referred back to said lodge and that if they then consent, after conforming to the laws in such cases, made and provided, that the Grand Master be authorized to issue the dispensation asked for.

Warrensburg.

The petition from the brethren at Warrensburg is signed by twenty brethren residing in that village. The three nearest lodges to the village of Warrensburg are Macon No. 8, of Decatur; Summit No. 431, at Harristown, and Latham No. 853, at Latham. Macon Lodge and Latham Lodge have consented by a unanimous vote to the organization of this new lodge, while Summit Lodge No. 431, by a vote of three to twenty-nine refused to give their consent. We have carefully examined the report of the commission appointed to investigate the matter of this proposed lodge and have interviewed the members of the commission personally and it is our opinion that the granting of this dispensation would be for the best interests of Masonry. We, therefore, recommend that a dispensation be issued, by the M.W. Grand Master, for the organization of a new lodge at Warrensburg as prayed for in the petition.

St. Joseph.

The petition for a new lodge to be organized at St. Joseph is signed by forty brethren residing in that village, thirty of whom are members

of Ogden Lodge No. 754, located at Ogden. The three nearest lodges are Ogden Lodge No. 754, at Ogden; Sidney No. 347, at Sidney, and Homer Lodge No. 199, at Homer. Sidney Lodge consented by a unanimous vote and Homer Lodge by a vote of twenty-five to four, to the organization of the lodge at St. Joseph, while Ogden Lodge, by a vote of thirty-two to forty-seven, declined to give their consent. Ogden Lodge is located in the village of Ogden, and has a membership of 132. The village of Ogden has a population 428, while the village of St. Joseph, four and one-half miles distant, has a population of 961.

Your committee has listened to exhaustive arguments on behalf of both the petitioners and the objecting lodge, and have also taken into consideration the report of the commission appointed by the M.W. Grand Master to investigate conditions. Your committee is fully convinced that the organization of a new lodge at St. Joseph will be for the best interests of Masonry and will not cause injury to any existing Masonic lodge. We, therefore, recommend that the M.W. Grand Master be authorized and empowered to grant the dispensation prayed for.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD F. LOCKE,
JOHN JOHNSTON,
ALBERT JAMPOLIS,
H. A. SNELL,
E. J. MERKI,
Committee on Lodges U.D.

REPORT—Committee to Examine Visitors.

The report of the Committee to Examine Visitors was read and adopted.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A.F. and A.M.

Your Committee to Examine Visitors have the honor to report that they have examined all visitors who have presented themselves for that purpose during this session of the Grand Lodge and have vouched for them to the Grand Tyler.

Dated at Chicago, this 10th day of October, 1912.

J. M. HANNUM,
J. E. JEFFERS,
E. E. BEACH,
A. E. WOOD,
C. L. GREGORY,
Committee.

INVITATIONS.

Many of the Chicago lodges held special communications to entertain the Representatives to the Grand Lodge. Invitations were read from the following:

Hesperia Lodge No. 441.
St. Cecelia Lodge No. 865.
Siloam Lodge No. 780.
Garden City Lodge No. 141.
Blaney Lodge No. 271.

RESOLUTION.

The following resolution was offered by M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton. It was adopted.

Resolved, That in the future the biographical data and reference to the distinguished dead of our sister Grand Jurisdictions as set forth in the report of the Committee on Obituaries be received and printed in the proceedings without reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was read and adopted.

To the M.W. Grand Lodge:

Your Special Committee to report amendments pending for action at this session fraternally report that there are four amendments to the by-laws that have come over from last year and are ready for consideration. These are as follows:

1. Page 59, appendix Grand Lodge proceedings of 1911, amending by-laws by adding a new Sec. No. 8 to Art. 19, Part 2.

2. Page 60, appendix, amending Sec. 6, Art. 13, Part 1.

3. Page 60, appendix, amending Art. 3, Part 2, by adding a new section to be known as Sec. 2.

4. Page 60, appendix, amending Subdivision 3, Sec. 1, Art. 9. Part 1.

Fraternally submitted,

OWEN SCOTT,
H. T. BURNAP,
RALPH H. WHEELER,
Committee.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Disposed of.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott called up the amendment to the Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year, adding Sec. 8 to Art. 19, Part 2, and it was adopted.

Sec. 8. There shall be provided by the Grand Secretary a form of receipt for dues to be used by all lodges. One side of this receipt shall show the name and number of the lodge of which the brother is a member and the date to which his dues are paid. On the other side there shall be the certificate of the Grand Secretary that the lodge of which the brother is a member is a regular chartered lodge of Illinois. This certificate shall be attested by a *fac simile* of the seal of this Grand Lodge and the signature of the Grand Secretary both printed thereon. The form of receipt and certificate to be substantially as follows:

Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Illinois

_____ *Ill.*, _____, *191*__

This is to Certify. *That Bro.* _____, *whose signature appears on the margin hereof, has paid to* _____ *Lodge No.* ___, *A.F.& A.M. of* _____, *Illinois, the sum of* _____ *in full of all dues and charges to said Lodge to* _____

[SEAL OF LODGE] _____ *Secretary.*

I, _____ Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, A. F. & A. M., do hereby certify that the Lodge shown on the reverse side of this certificate is regularly chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F.& A.M., and its members, when in good standing in said Lodge, are entitled to all the privileges and courtesies of visitation given by Lodges whose governing bodies are recognized by this Grand Lodge as regular Grand Lodges of A. F. & A. M.

[SEAL] _____
Grand Secretary.

The amendment to Sec. 6, Art. 13, Part 1 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year, was, on motion, laid over for further consideration.

If amended the section would read as follows:

Sec. 6. The Grand Officers designated in Article 5 of the Constitution, and such Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters and Past Grand Wardens, as shall be present and shall be members of constituent lodges in Illinois (provided that if any such permanent member in attendance on the sessions of the Grand Lodge, be at the time, a sojourner outside of Illinois. his mileage shall be computed from the location of his lodge) each member of a standing committee, and one representative, from each lodge under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed five cents per mile, going and returning, for every mile traveled from the location of his lodge, to be computed by the necessarily traveled route and (except the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary) two dollars per day for each day's actual attendance on the Grand Lodge, or its Committees. Provided that no one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity.

The amendment to Art. 3, Part 2 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year, by adding a new article to be known as Sec. 11, was, on motion, laid over for further consideration.

Section 11. All correspondence of lodges with foreign masonic bodies, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

The amendment to subdivision 3, Sec. 1 of Art. 9, Part 1 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws proposed last year, was, on motion, laid over for further consideration.

If amended the section would read as follows:

3. To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy, a written commission, signed by the proper officer of the lodge which he represents."

INTRODUCTION—Of Representatives.

The M.W. Grand Master presented and introduced the Representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Illinois. They were accorded Grand Honors.

Bro. H. A. Snell, Alberta.
Bro. C. E. Allen, Alabama.
Bro. M. C. Crawford, Arizona.
Bro. Jas. McCredie, British Columbia.
Bro. S. O. Spring, Canada.
Bro. L. A. Goddard, District of Columbia.
Bro. W. B. Wright, Indiana.
Bro. R. J. Daly, Ireland.
Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, Kansas.
Bro. Godfrey Langhenry, Louisiana.
Bro. M. B. Iott, Maryland.
Bro. Jos. E. Dyas, Michigan.
Bro. R. H. Wheeler, Minnesota.
Bro. F. S. Catlin, Mississippi.
Bro. Geo. A. Stadler, Missouri.
Bro. A. Jampolis, Nebraska.
Bro. J. C. Weis, New Brunswick.
Bro. H. E. Hamilton, New Hampshire.
Bro. Isaac Cutter, New York.
Bro. W. O. Butler, New Zealand.
Bro. Roy K. Wheeler, Nova Scotia.
Bro. D. D. Darrah, Oklahoma.
Bro. F. E. Locke, Oregon.
Bro. John Johnston, Quebec.
Bro. J. R. Ennis, Queensland.
Bro. A. B. Wickert, Rhode Island.
Bro. J. A. Steele, Saskatchewan.
Bro. A. Birse, Scotland.
Bro. E. E. Beach, South Carolina.
Bro. H. W. Harvey, Tasmania.
Bro. A. H. Bell, Tennessee.
Bro. Owen Scott, Utah.
Bro. I. H. Todd, Vermont.
Bro. H. T. Burnap, West Australia.
Bro. J. T. Campbell, West Virginia.
Bro. D. D. King, Wisconsin.
Bro. C. S. DeHart, United Grand Lodge of South Wales.
Bro. J. R. Lewis, United Grand Lodge of Victoria.

GRAND OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of elected and appointed officers:

DELMAR D. DARRAH..... *M.W. Grand Master.*
HENRY T. BURNAP..... *R.W. Deputy Grand Master.*
RALPH H. WHEELER..... *R.W. Senior Grand Warden.*
AUSTIN H. SCROGIN..... *R.W. Junior Grand Warden.*
LEROY A. GODDARD..... *R.W. Grand Treasurer.*
ISAAC CUTTER..... *R.W. Grand Secretary.*
JOSEPH C. NATE..... *R.W. Grand Chaplain.*
LAWRENCE Y. SHERMAN..... *R.W. Grand Orator.*
GEO. A. STADLER..... *W. Deputy Grand Secretary.*
T. S. BROWNING..... *W. Grand Pursuivant.*
M. BATES IOTT..... *W. Grand Marshal.*
J. L. BREWSTER..... *W. Grand Standard Bearer.*
CALEB G. STOVALL..... *W. Grand Sword Bearer.*
S. S. BORDEN..... *W. Senior Grand Deacon.*
HARRIS LEVY..... *W. Junior Grand Deacon.*
CHAS. F. TENNEY..... *W. Grand Steward.*
H. S. ALBIN..... *W. Grand Steward.*
G. W. TIPSWORD..... *W. Grand Steward.*
ED. L. WILLITS..... *W. Grand Steward.*
CHESTER S. GURNEY..... *Bro. Grand Tyler.*

INSTALLATION.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, assisted by M.W. Bro. Geo. M. Moulton, as Grand Marshal, installed the officers, except the Grand Orator.

Before the installation the Grand Master announced that the bonds of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer were approved and had been filed with him.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Grand Secretary read the list of brethren comprising the Standing and Special Committees.

Jurisprudence.—M. C. Crawford, C. F. Hitchcock, W. B. Wright, C. E. Allen, A. B. Ashley.

Appeals and Grievances.—Jos. E. Dyas, Geo. R. Smith, H. H. Montgomery, A. W. West, Jno. B. Fithian.

Chartered Lodges.—P. C. Barclay, C. P. Ross, James McCredie, James John, John A. Asserson.

Lodges U.D.—R. F. Locke, John Johnston, Hugh A. Snell, Emil J. Merki, Albert Jampolis.

Mileage and Per Diem.—W. F. Beck, H. T. Goddard, Anthony Doherty, Geo. W. Cyrus, Nimrod Mace.

Finance.—S. O. Spring, Thos. A. Stevens, N. N. Lampert.

Correspondence.—Owen Scott.

Trustees of Masonic Homes.—Geo. M. Moulton, Jas. A. Steele.

Obituaries.—Jno. C. Weis, W. L. Sharp, Jos. Wetzel.

Grand Examiners.—J. M. Hannum, E. E. Beach, A. E. Wood, C. L. Gregory, D. G. Fitzgerrel.

Special Committee on Revision of Blue Book.—Edward Cook, W. E. Edwards, Alonzo Dolan.

Credentials.—N. B. Carson, J. L. Klemme, H. A. Clevenstine, Geo. E. Carlson, R. C. Clark.

Petitions.—J. E. Jeffers, Louis Zinger, Wm. Gibson.

Grand Master's Address.—C. F. Newkirk, D. E. Bruffett, R. G. Bright.

Special Committee on Ritual.—The Grand Master, the Board of Grand Examiners, H. T. Burnap, Edward Cook, I. H. Todd.

Special Committee on Jurisdiction of Chicago Lodges.—C. H. Martin, A. W. Gage, Jno. D. Cleveland, L. L. Emerson, L. C. Johnson.

Laws.—A. H. Bell, A. M. Otman, J. B. McFatrich.

Special Committee on Gil. W. Barnard Hospital.—C. S. DeHart, W. H. Robson, George Edwards, Amos Pettibone, D. G. Swannell.

Committee on Libraries for Masonic Homes.—C. E. Bassett, Samuel Frankland, Roy K. Wheeler.

Representative to Masonic Relief Association.—Ralph H. Wheeler.

The minutes were then read and approved.

CLOSED.

At 12:30 p. m. no further business appearing, the M.W. Grand Master closed the M.W. Grand Lodge in ample form.



Delmar D Darrah
GRAND MASTER.

ATTEST

Isaac Cutler
GRAND SECRETARY.

M. W. Grand Master's Address,
Bloomington, Illinois.

APPENDIX

DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FOR THE YEARS 1911-12.

District	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
1	Wm. Wilhartz.....	Chicago..... 105 W. Monroe St.	Lodges Nos. 33, 271, 409, 524, 642, 697, 751, 778, 795, 818, 843, 863, 878, 890, 899, 914, 924, 944.
2	Harry W. Harvey.	Chicago..... 7211 Lexington Ave.	Lodges Nos. 81, 277, 410, 526, 643, 711, 758, 777, 797, 819, 850, 864, 879, 891, 900, 915, 926, 947.
3	Harry A. Dever ...	Chicago..... 6925 No. Ashland Blvd.	Lodges Nos. 141, 308, 411, 540, 662, 716, 765, 779, 800, 832, 851, 865, 880, 892, 901, 916, 927, 949.
4	T. M. Avery	Chicago..... Chamber of Com. Bldg.	Lodges Nos. 160, 310, 422, 557, 669, 717, 767, 780, 804, 836, 854 869, 882, 894, 907, 917, 931.
5	David D. King	Chicago. 3002 Lake Park Ave.	Lodges Nos. 182, 311, 437, 610, 674, 726, 768, 783, 810, 839, 855, 873, 887, 895, 908, 921, 937.
6	Wm. H. Bied	Chicago 6048 Langley Ave.	Lodges Nos. 209, 314, 478, 611, 686, 731, 770, 784, 813, 841, 860, 875, 888, 896, 909, 922, 938.
7	E. C. Tillotson.....	Chicago..... Illinois Athletic Club.	Lodges Nos. 211, 393, 508, 639, 690, 739, 774, 789, 815, 842, 862, 876, 889, 897, 913, 923, 943.
8	C. J. Wightman....	Gray's Lake	McHenry and Lake.
9	C. L. Snyder.....	Freeport.....	Boone, Winnebago and Stephenson
10	J. L. Brearton.....	Savanna	Jo Daviess and Carroll.
11	F. E. Wright.....	DeKalb	DeKalb and Ogle.
12	D. M. Baird...	Plano.....	Kane, Kendall and DuPage.
13	J. E. Wheat.....	Sterling.....	Whiteside and Lee.
14	Milton T. Booth....	Atkinson..... .	Henry and Rock Island.
15	F. H. Bradley.....	Princeton, R. F. D.....	Bureau, Putnam and Marshall.
16	Wm. H. Barnard ..	Ottawa.....	LaSalle.
17	Bruce I. Harley....	Elwood.....	Will and Grundy.
18	W. I. Holcomb....	Kankakee.....	Kankakee and Iroquois.
19	W. A. Hoover	Gibson City.....	Livingston and Ford.
20	Chas. H. Ireland...	Washburn.....	Peoria and Woodford.
21	C. T. Holmes.....	Galesburg.....	Knox and Stark.
22	D. E. Farr	Aledo.....	Mercer, Warren and Henderson.
23	L. M. Morton	Canton.....	McDonough and Fulton.
24	E. M. Crain	Augusta..... ...	Hancock and Schuyler.
25	L. W. Lawton.....	Delavan.....	Tazewell and Logan.
26	Harry M. Palmer..	McLean.....	McLean.
27	C. L. Sandusky....	Danville.....	Vermilion.
28	Wilson P. Jones....	Tolono.....	Champaign and Piatt.
29	A. T. Summers....	Decatur	DeWitt and Macon.
30	Harry L. Smith ...	Springfield.....	Sangamon and Menard.
31	Harry F. Smith....	Beardstown.....	Mason, Cass and Morgan.
32	W. W. Watson.....	Barry.....	Brown and Pike.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS—*Continued.*

District.	NAMES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	COUNTIES COMPOSING DISTRICT.
33	Emmett Howard..	Quincy.....	Adams.
34	Ralph M. Riggs....	Winchester.....	Calhoun, Jersey, Green, and Scott.
35	E. R. Turnbull.....	Carlinville.....	Macoupin.
36	R. E. Gifford.....	Hillsboro.....	Montgomery and Bond.
37	A. M. Bloxam.....	Taylorville.....	Christian and Shelby.
38	Geo. N. Todd.....	Mattoon.....	Coles, Douglas and Moultrie.
39	J. I. Brydon.....	Martinsville.....	Cumberland, Clark and Edgar.
40	W. H. Rupe.....	Olney.....	Jasper, Crawford and Richland.
41	C. O. Faught.. ...	Altamont	Effingham and Fayette.
42	C. N. Hambleton ..	Jeffersonville.....	Clay, Marion and Wayne.
43	Lysanius Caywood	Alt n	Clinton and Madison.
44	Harry L Browning	East St. Louis	St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph.
45	Keith Stratton.....	Mt. Vernon	Washington, Jefferson, Franklin and Perry.
46	J. R. Ennis.....	Burnt Prairie	Lawrence, Edwards, Wabash and White.
47	J. C. Davenport....	Harrisburg....	Hamilton, Saline and Gallatin.
48	M Ozment.....	Johnston City	Jackson and Williamson.
49	C. H. Thompson...	Cairo.....	Johnson, Union and Alexander.
50	E. J. Cowling.....	Metropolis	Hardin, Pope, Massac and Pulaski.

Wm. Arenz, care Jackson Park P. O. Sta., Chicago.
District Deputy Grand Master for German speaking lodges in the 2d, 4th, 5th, 20th, and 26th Districts.

GRAND LECTURERS

For the Year 1912-1913

NAME	ADDRESS
GRAND EXAMINERS	
Josiah M. Hannum	Lostant
E. E. Beach	Chicago 1501 Ashland Blk.
A. E. Wood	Gibson City
C. L. Gregory	Aledo
D. G. Fitzgerell	Ewing
PAST GRAND EXAMINERS.	
Edward Cook	Chicago 29 S. LaSalle St.
A. B. Ashley	Spring Lake, Mich.
C. F. Tenney	Bement
James John	Chicago 5633 Winthrop Ave.
J. R. Ennis	Burnt Prairie
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H. A. Snell	Litchfield
C. H. Martin	Bridgeport
S. S. Borden	Chicago 5168 Michigan Ave.
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Isaac Cutter	Camp Point
Emmerson Clark	Farmington
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Chas. S. DeHart	Carthage
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L. C. Johnson	Galva
J. E. Jeffers	Arcola
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C. E. Allen	Galesburg
H. S. Albin	Chicago 167 Dearborn St.
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I. H. Todd	E. St. Louis
C. E. Groves	Rock Island
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S. M. Shoemann	McLeansboro
C. N. Hambleton	Jeffersonville
A. O. Novander	Chicago 11138 Armada Ave.
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Anthony Doherty	Clay City
Chas. T. Holmes	Galesburg
Chas. Ross	Jacksonville
Archibald Birse	Chicago 58 W. Randolph St.
H. W. Harvey	Chicago 7211 Lexington Ave.
F. H. Morehouse	Chicago 340 Giddings St.
A. Jampolis	Chicago 3738 Rokeby St.
W. A. Dixon	Decatur
E. W. Peterson	Chicago 5947 Midway Park
Albert Roullier	Chicago Fine Arts Bldg.
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J. C. Weiss	Peoria
H. E. Vanloon	Chicago 904 W. Monroe St.
C. J. Wightman	Gray's Lake
W. H. Bied	Chicago 6048 Langley Ave.
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Nimrod Mace	Bloomington
R. G. Bright	Normal
N. B. Carson	Bloomington
David Richards	Chicago Lawn
L. J. Frahm	Chicago 521 Bryant Ave.
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A. T. Summers	Decatur
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W. P. Jones	Tolono
W. H. Rupe	Olney

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J. S. Edmondson	Decatur
F. H. Blose	Bloomington
William Grube	LaSalle
L. E. Rockwood	Gibson City
W. A. Hoover	Gibson City
L. B. Dyer	Chicago 1917 N. Lawndale Ave.
G. N. Todd	Mattoon
W. G. Houghton	Chicago 3327 W. Monroe St.
F. O. Lorton	Auburn
F. G. Trenary	LaSalle
W. E. Edwards	Chicago 5216 Ohio St.
Z. S. Saylor	Oakwood
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W. D. Price	Chicago 5408 N. 56th Ave.
H. A. Dever	Roger's Park, Chicago 6925 N. Ashland Blvd.
W. E. Marble	Chicago 311 Webster Ave.
J. M. Huff	Belvidere
H. H. Milnor	Chicago 516 N. 52nd Ave.
H. M. Robinson	Chicago 7108 LaFayette Ave.
C. H. Thompson	Cairo
Amos Ball	Gibson City
R. M. Riggs	Winchester
Otto Brail	Chicago 6031 Prairie Ave.
J. F. Boyle	Chicago 1252 W. 64th St.
J. W. Johnson	Chicago 31 Washington St.
J. E. Glathart	Olney
D. C. Hibbott	Chicago 7000 Vernon Ave.
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T. B. Strauss	Gibson City
B. I. Pumpelly	Atlanta
George Edwards	Chicago 1515 E. 65th St.
Almon Stansberry	Westville
F. H. Bradley	Princeton R.F.D.
L. A. Brinkman	Chicago 422 W. Adams St.
T. G. Kerwin	Chicago 6318 Ingleside Ave.
R. B. Prendergast	Chicago 2745 W. Madison St.
F. M. Cruickshank	Chicago 1900 Cuyleo Ave.
G. W. Flood	Rock Island
S. S. Pollock	Chicago 3149 Racine Ave.
J. A. Wesch	Arcola
J. I. Brydon	Martinsville
Benjamin Bing	Urbana
J. M. Foreman	Palestine
I. J. McDowell	Chicago 4048 Congress St.
W. E. Speckman	Ottawa
L. A. Kaiser	Tonica
W. H. Barnard	Ottawa
T. E. Quincey	Chicago 549 E. 44th Place
H. D. Jackson	Chicago 1244 Cornelia Ave.
W. R. Goodheart	Chicago 6020 Ellis Ave.
E. C. Tillottson	Chicago Ill. Athletic Club
H. M. Rachlitz	Chicago 11819 Princeton Ave.
D. S. Davidson	Chicago 7309 S. Center Ave.
A. A. Bauer	Blue Mound
C. G. Stovall	Tuscola
J. N. Fairchild	Danville
C. A. Leuse	Chicago 5848 Prairie Ave.

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A. M. Bloxam	Taylorville
F. W. Froelich	Brighton
T. C. Hambleton	Jeffersonville
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C. W. Kessler	Pawnee
H. A. Flock	Blue Mound
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Chas. Crowell	Chicago 8 S. Dearborn St.
Addison Hickox	Chicago 1515 W. Monroe
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H. W. Modlin	Chicago 6159 Evans Ave.
R. C. Peck	Decatur
Maxwell Levy	Chicago 1632 W. Kinsey St.
Silas Watts	Decatur
A. J. Winteringham	Dundee
S. E. Kain	Ottawa
D. E. Farr	Aledo
E. J. Tye	Rio
C. J. Shaw	Galesburg
D. M. Wylie	Galesburg
S. B. Harvey	Oak Park
H. D. Hamper	Aurora
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W. S. Craig	Sullivan
T. W. Nixon	Saybrook
W. L. Allen	Decatur
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H. S. Wiley	Buffalo
William Tinsley	Chicago 2822 N. Clark
F. R. Smedley	Champaign
A. O. Poff	Gibson City
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B. T. Harley	Elwood
S. D. Hinman	Maywood
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Edgar Zimmerman	Chicago 5210 Winthrop Ave.
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O. J. Davis	McLeansboro
Wainwright Davis	Mt. Vernon
I. A. Foster	New Haven
S. M. Middleton	LeRoy
W. H. Beckman	Chicago 69 W. Washington
Henry Friedman	Chicago 815 Wilson Ave.
A. F. Gooch	Belleflower
C. G. Taylor	Rock Island
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G. Haven Stevens	Danville
Chas. W. Cofer	Danville
Henry P. Blose	Danville

REPRESENTATIVES

OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alberta	Wm. G. Ibbotson	Edmonton
Alabama	W. W. Daffin	Grove Hill.
Arizona	Artemus Louden Grow	Tombstone.
Arkansas	Robert Liddell	Rector
British Columbia	W. W. Northcott	Victoria.
Canada	Abraham Shaw	Kingston, Ont.
Colorado	Henry M. Teller	Central City.
Connecticut	Geo. E. Parsons	Norwich.
Cuba	Juan B. Hernandez Barreiro	Havana.
Delaware	Geo. M. Jones	Dover.
District of Columbia	L. Cabel Williamson	Washington
England	Walter Henry Harris	London.
Florida	James C. Craver	Sutherland.
Georgia	Wm. H. Chaffee	Tallapoosa.
Holland	Hermon Snyders	Middelberg
Idaho	Albert B. Moss	Payette.
Indiana	B. M. Wiloughby	Vincennes.
Ireland	Obadiah Terna	Enniskillen.
Kansas	Matthew M. Miller	Topeka.
Louisiana	Chas. F. Buck	New Orleans.
Manitoba	John Leslie	Winnipeg.
Maine	William R. G. Estes	Skowhegan.
Maryland	John L. Sanford	
Michigan	Arthur M. Hume	Owosso.
Minnesota	A. T. Stebbins	Rochester.
Mississippi	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg.
Missouri	W. F. Johnson	Boonville.
Montana	Cornelius Hedges	Helena.
Nebraska	George H. Thummel	Omaha.
Netherlands	Herman Ludyers	The Hague
Nevada	Charles E. Mack	Virginia.
New Brunswick	William A. Dougherty	Saint John.
New Hampshire	Sewell W. Abbot	Wolfboro.
New Jersey	Jos. A. Gaskill	Mount Holly.
New York	Wm. Grossman	115 Broadway, N.Y.C'y
New Zealand	Murdock McLean	Auck and
North Carolina	Leo D. Heart	Raleigh
North Dakota	E. George Guthrie	Fargo.
Nova Scotia	Theo. A. Cossman	Halifax.
Ohio	O. P. Sperra	Ravenna.
Oklahoma	Frank W. Anderson	Waurika.
Oregon	W. T. Wright	Union
Prince Edward Island	Samuel Lowe	Charlottetown P. E. I.
Quebec	H. Edgar Channell	Stanstead, P.Q.
Queensland	Chas. H. Harley	Brisbane.
Rhode Island	Newton D. Arnold	Providence.
Saskatchewan	Geo. W. Bilbrough	Regina.
Scotland	Wm. Brownlie	Dumfries.
South Australia	John Trail McLean	Adelaide.
South Carolina	John F. Ficken	Charleston.
South Dakota	Robert Burton	Rapids City
Tasmania	Rev. Wm. Hoggs	
Tennessee	A. V. Warr	Rossville.
Texas		
Utah	A. Scott Chapman	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Delos M. Bacon	St. Johnsbury Center.
Virginia	Wm. L. Andrews	Roanoke.
Washington	John H. Shaw	Spokane.
Western Australia	Frank R. Perret	Perth.
West Virginia	Thos. P. Jacob	New Martinsville
Wisconsin	Charles C. Rogers	Milwaukee.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria.	Edward Edwards	Melbourne.
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales	W. Beavis	Sydney.

REPRESENTATIVES

OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	RESIDENCE.
Alberta	H. A. Snell	Litchfield.
Alabama	Chester E. Allen	Galesburg.
Arizona	Monroe C. Crawford	Jonesboro.
Arkansas		
British Columbia	Jas. McCredie	Aurora
Canada	Sylvester O. Spring	Peoria.
Colorado	Albert Roullier	Chicago.
Connecticut	Chas. F. Hitchcock	Peoria.
Cuba	John W. Swatek	Chicago.
Delaware	William S. Cantrell	Benton.
District of Columbia	L. A. Goddard	Chicago.
England	John C. Smith Jr.	Chicago.
Florida	Chas. H. Parkes	Chicago.
Georgia	W J. A. DeLancey	Centralia.
Holland	C. M. Borchers	Decatur
Idaho	R. R. Jampolis	Chicago
Indiana	W. B. Wright	Effingham.
Ireland	Robert J. Daly	Chicago.
Kansas	George M. Moulton	Chicago.
Louisiana	Godfred Langhenry	Chicago.
Maine	Amos Pettibone	Chicago.
Manitoba	Hugh R. Stewart	Chicago.
Maryland	M. B. Iott	Evanston.
Michigan	Joseph E. Dyas	Paris.
Minnesota	R. H. Wheeler	Chicago.
Mississippi	Franklin S. Catlin	Chicago.
Missouri	George A. Stadler	Decatur.
Montana	A. B. Ashley	Decatur.
Nebraska	A. Jampolis	Chicago.
Nevada	W. J. Hostetler	Decatur
New Brunswick	John C. Weis	Peoria.
New Hampshire	Henry E. Hamilton	Chicago.
New Jersey	Joseph D. Everett	Chicago
New York	Isaac Cutter	Camp Point
New Zealand	Wm. O. Butler	La Harpe.
North Carolina	James B. McFatrich	Chicago.
North Dakota	Geo. W. Warvelle	Chicago.
Nova Scotia	Roy H. Wheeler	Chicago.
Ohio	S. S. Chance	Salem.
Oklahoma	D. D. Darrah	Bloomington.
Oregon	Frank E. Locke	Chicago
Prince Edward Island	E D. Brothers	Chicago
Quebec	John Johnston	Chicago.
Queensland	J. R. Ennis	Burnt Prairie.
Rhode Island	Albert B. Wickert	Franklin Gr've
Saskatchewan	Jas. A. Steele	Sullivan.
Scotland	Archibald Birse	Chicago
South Carolina	Elmer E. Beach	Chicago.
South Australia	William L. Milligan	Ottawa.
South Dakota	Robert L. McKinlay	Paris.
Tasmania	H. W. Harvey	Chicago.
Tennessee	Alexander H. Bell	Carlinville.
Texas	C. M. Forman	East St. Louis.
Utah	Owen Scott	Decatur.
Vermont	I. H. Todd	E. St. Louis
Virginia	Frank W. Burton	Carlinville
Washington	Wm J. Fullerton	Ottawa
West Australia	H. T. Burnap	Upper Alton
West Virginia	John T Campbell	Chicago.
Wisconsin	David D. King	Chicago.
United Grand Lodge of South Wales	Chas. S. DeHart	Carthage.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria.	Jason R. Lewis	Chicago.

DETAILED REPORT

OF

THE BUSINESS OF THE GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE

OCTOBER 1911 to 1912

TOGETHER WITH

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS and REPORTS

OF

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS AND BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

First District—Wm. Wilhartz Chicago
Second District—Harry W. Harvey Chicago
Third District—Harry A. Dever Chicago
Fourth District—Albert Roullier Chicago
Fifth District—David D. King Chicago
Sixth District—Wm. H. Bied Chicago
Seventh District—E. C. Tillotson Chicago
Eighth District—C. J. Wightman Gray's Lake
Ninth District—James M. Huff Belvidere
Tenth District—J. L. Brearton Savanna
Eleventh District—A. Hammerschmidt Sycamore
Twelfth District—J. H. Griffiths Downer's Grove
Thirteenth District—J. E. Wheat Sterling
Fourteenth District—Milton T. Booth Atkinson
Fifteenth District—F. H. Bradley..... Princeton R. F. D.
Sixteenth District—Wm. P. Grube LaSalle
Seventeenth District—William W. Smith Joliet
Eighteenth District—W. Holcomb Kankakee
Nineteenth District—W. A. Hoover Gibson City
Twentieth District—John C. Weis Peoria
Twenty-first District—C. T. Holmes Galesburg
Twenty-second District—D. E. Farr Aledo
Twenty-third District—L. M. Morton Canton
Twenty-fourth District—E. M. Crain Augusta
Twenty-fifth District—L. W. Lawton Delavan
Twenty-sixth District—Harry M. Palmer McLean
Twenty-seventh District—C. L. Sandusky Danville
Twenty-eighth District—Wilson P. Jones Tolono
Twenty-ninth District—A. T. Summers Decatur
Thirtieth District—Harry L. Smith Springfield
Thirty-first District—Truman P. Carter Jacksonville
Thirty-second District—W. W. Watson Barry
Thirty-third District—Emmett Howard Quincy
Thirty-fourth District—Ralph M. Riggs Winchester
Thirty-fifth District—E. R. Turnbull Carlinville
Thirty-sixth District—R. E. Gifford Hillsboro
Thirty-seventh District—A. M. Bloxam Taylorville
Thirty-eighth District—Frank F. Collins Arcola
Thirty-ninth—H. Gasaway Martinsville
Fortieth District—W. H. Rupe Olney
Forty-first District—C. O. Faught Altamont
Forty-second District—C. N. Hambleton Jeffersonville

Forty-third District—Lysanius Caywood Alton
Forty-fourth District—I. H. Todd East St. Louis
Forty-fifth District—D. G. Fitzgerrell Ewing
Forty-sixth District—J. R. Ennis Burnt Prairie
Forty-seventh District—I. A. Foster New Haven
Forty-eighth District—M. Ozment Johnston City
Forty-ninth District—C. H. Thompson Cairo
Fiftieth District—E. J. Cowling Metropolis

Felix von W—Wysow, Chicago, appointed District Deputy Grand Master for German speaking lodges in the 2d, 4th, 5th, 20th and 26th Districts.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

On Tuesday, January 2, 1912, R.W. Bro. M. Bates Iott, was duly installed as Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge, in St. Cecelia Lodge No. 865, the ceremonies being conducted by the Grand Master in person.

Saturday evening, March 2, R.W. Bro. James E. Jeffers, as special proxy for the Grand Master, installed R.W. Bro. Caleb G. Stoval as Grand Sword Bearer, in Tuscola Lodge No. 332.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

Donovan Lodge, U.D., located at Donovan, Ill. Instituted November 29, by R.W. Bro. W. I. Holcomb, District Deputy Grand Master of the 18th District. Number signing dispensation, twenty-three.

Depue Lodge, U.D., located at Depue, Illinois. Instituted December 15, 1911, by R.W. Bro. William P. Grube, District Deputy Grand Master of the 16th District. Number signing dispensation, twenty.

Glen Ellyn Lodge, U.D., located at Glen Ellyn, Ill. Instituted February 8, 1912, by R.W. Bro. D. M. Baird, District Deputy Grand Master of the 12th District. Number signing dispensation, fifty.

Cypress Lodge, U.D., located at Cypress, Ill. Instituted February 26, 1912, by R.W. Bro. Charles H. Thompson, District Deputy Grand Master of the 50th District. Number signing dispensation, twenty.

Progressive Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago, Ill. Instituted February 23, 1912, by R.W. Bro. Albert Roullier, District Deputy Grand Master of the 4th District. Number signing dispensation, forty-five.

Cicero Lodge, U.D., located at Cicero, Ill. Instituted March 20, 1912, by R.W. Bro. Harry W. Harvey, District Deputy Grand Master of the 2nd District. Number signing dispensation, thirty-five.

Washington Park Lodge, U.D., located at Chicago, Ill. Instituted April 25, 1912, by R.W. Bro. William H. Beid, District Deputy Grand Master of the 6th District. Number signing dispensation, eighty-one.

Prospect Lodge, U.D., A.F. & A.M., located at Chicago, Ill. Instituted July 11, 1912, by R.W. Bro. Harry A. Dever, District Deputy Grand Master of the 3rd District. Number signing dispensation, twenty-eight.

LODGES CONSOLIDATED.

Delia Lodge No. 525, of Elliottstown, Ill., having vote to consolidate with Mayo Lodge No. 664, of Winterrowd, and all requirements of the Grand Lodge By-Laws having been met, the formal act of consolidation was duly accomplished January 12, 1912, R.W. Bro. C. O. Faught, acting as special proxy for the Grand Master.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

R.W. Bro. John H. Griffiths having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth District, R.W. Bro. D. M. Baird was appointed to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. John C. Weis having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twentieth District, R.W. Bro. Charles H. Ireland, of Washburn, was appointed to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. Truman P. Carter having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-first District, R.W. Bro. Harry F. Smith, of Beardstown, was appointed to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. Frank F. Collins having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-eighth District, R.W. Bro. George N. Todd, of Mattoon, was appointed to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. George N. Todd having resigned as Grand Sword Bearer, to accept the position of District Deputy Grand Master, I appointed R.W. Bro. Caleb G. Stovall, of Tuscola, to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. Felix von W-Wysow having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master for German speaking lodges, I appointed R.W. Bro. William Arenz, of Chicago, to succeed him.

R.W. Bro. William Grube having resigned as District Deputy Grand Master of the 16th District, R.W. Bro. W. H. Barnard of Ottawa was appointed to succeed him.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED.

Commissions as Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Illinois near other Grand Lodges have been issued as follows:

Arkansas—Robert Liddell, Rector, Ark.

Scotland—William Brownlee, Dumfries, Scotland.

South Dakota—Robert Burton, Rapid City, South Dakota.

New York—William Grossman, New York City.

West Virginia—Thomas P. Jacob, New Martinsville.

Bro. Laban B. Dixon, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, having resigned, Bro. Roy H. Wheeler, of Chicago, was, upon my recommendation, duly commissioned to fill the vacancy.

DUPLICATE CHARTERS ISSUED.

Original charters having been destroyed by fire, duplicates were issued to

S. D. Monroe Lodge No. 447, of Birds.

Cheneys Grove Lodge No. 468, of Saybrook.

Cave-in-Rock Lodge No. 444, of Cave-in-Rock.

DISPENSATION FEES.

FROM NEW LODGES.

Donovan Lodge, U.D.	$100.00
Depue Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Glen Ellyn Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Cypress Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Progressive Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Cicero Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Washington Park Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Prospect Lodge, U.D.	100.00
Total	$800.00

In General.

Oriental No. 33	$2.00
Batavia No. 404	2.00
Woodlawn Park No. 481	2.00
Chicago No. 437	2.00
Apollo No. 642	2.00
Crescent No. 985	2.00
Mizpah No. 768	2.00
Union Park No. 610	2.00
Republic No. 914	2.00
Park No. 843	2.00
Vitruvius No. 81	2.00
Ravenswood No. 777	2.00
John Corson Smith No. 944	2.00
Summerfield No. 342	2.00
Lakeside No. 739	2.00
Murrayville No. 483	2.00
Joy No. 946	2.00
Kilwinning No. 311	2.00
Pacific No. 66	2.00
Accordia No. 277	2.00
T. J. Turner No. 409	2.00
Compass No. 992	2.00
Pleodes No. 478	2.00
St. Paul, No. 500	2.00
Lee Center No. 146	2.00
Dongola No. 581	2.00
Lessing No. 557	2.00
Mithra No. 410	2.00
Germania No. 182	2.00
Columbian No. 819	2.00
Pawnee No. 675	2.00
Herder No. 669	2.00
Waldeck No. 674	2.00
White Hall No. 80	2.00
Accordia No. 277	2.00
Riverton Union No. 786	2.00
Oriental No. 33	2.00
Wm. Kinley No. 876	2.00
Elwood No. 919	2.00
Lockport No. 538	5.00
Lakeview No. 774	2.00
John Corson Smith No. 944	2.00
Hope No. 162	2.00
Justice No. 949	2.00
Oriental No. 33	2.00
Edgewater No. 901	2.00
Carrollton No. 50	2.00
LaHarpe No. 195	2.00
Compass No. 922	2.00
DeLand No. 812	2.00
Harmony No. 3	2.00
Brooklyn No. 282	2.00
Lexington No. 482	2.00
Wheaton No. 269	2.00
Versailles No. 108	2.00
Justice No. 949	2.00
Belvidere No. 60	2.00
Cornell No. 868	2.00
Capron No. 575	2.00
London No. 848	2.00
Good Hope No. 617	2.00
East Gate No. 923	2.00
Riverside No. 862	2.00
Garden City No. 141	2.00
Wright Grove No. 779	2.00
America No. 889	2.00
Chicago No. 437	2.00
Home No. 508	2.00
Keystone No. 369	2.00
Jacksonville No. 570	2.00
Kosmos No. 896	2.00
Apollo No. 642	2.00
Lanark No. 423	2.00
Morning Star No. 734	2.00
Garden City No. 141	2.00
T. J. Pickett No. 307	2.00
D. C. Cregier No. 643	2.00
Total	$157.00

COMMISSIONS APPOINTED.

Proposed lodge at Washington, Park, Ill.—William H. Beid, Harry A. Dever, Frank J. Burton.

Proposed lodge at Wicker Park, Ill.—Harry W. Harvey, Albert Roullier, William E. Edwards.

Proposed lodge at Depue, Ill.—William P. Grube, Francis G. Bradley, J. M. Hannum.

Proposed lodge at Granite City, Ill.—Henry T. Burnap, L. Caywood, I. H. Todd.

Proposed lodge at Cicero, Ill.—E. C. Tillotson, Albert Davis, A. O. Novander.

To investigate complaint lodged against Master of Lodge No. 404—John H. Griffiths, Arnold Thies, James McCredie.

Proposed lodge at Akin, Ill.—D. G. Fitzgerrell, T. S. Browning, B. F. Lyday.

Proposed lodge at Glen View, Ill.—David D. King, William Wilhartz, A. W. Gage.

Proposed lodge at Algonquin, Ill.—C. J. Wightman, T. B. Rowlands, Theo. Hamer.

Proposed lodge at East Moline, Ill.—Milton T. Booth, Carlton G. Taylor, George E. Carlson.

Proposed lodge at St. Joseph, Ill.—C. L. Sandusky, W. P. Jones, George N. Freeman.

Proposed lodge at Irving Park, Ill.—E. C. Tillotson, Roscoe C. Clark, Albert Davis.

Proposed lodge near W. 26th and Crawford Ave., Chicago, Ill.—Harry A. Dever, Maxwell Levy, Hiram Vanderbilt.

To investigate dissension in Lodge No. 228.—H. T. Burnap, Norman M. Mesnard.

Proposed lodge at 3636 Armitage Ave., Chicago, Ill.—William Wilhartz, Maxwell Levy, J. A. Asserson.

Proposed lodge at Broughton, Ill.—I. A. Foster, H. P. Blackard, Cecil C. Camp.

Proposed lodge at Dahlgren, Ill.—I. A. Foster, Waynewright Davis, T. S. Browning.

Removal of Caledonia Lodge No. 47 to Pulaski, Ill.—H. T. Burnap, E. J. Cowling, Chas. T. Thompson.

Proposed lodge at Lake Forrest, Ill.—C. J. Wightman, H. H. Megran, A. W. Gage.

Proposed lodge at Warrensburg, Ill.—A. T. Summers, Harry L. Smith, Oliver McDaniel.

Proposed lodge at Chicago, Ill.—H. A. Dever, Jim Avery, Albert Jampolis.

REPORT OF M.W. BRO. ALBERT B. ASHLEY, REPRESENTATIVE TO WASHINGTON MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Spring Lake, Mich., July 24, 1912.

Mr. D. D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Grand Master: As your representative on February 22 last, I attended the third annual meeting of the "George Washington National Memorial Association" at Alexandria, Va., the object of which was clearly set forth in Grand Lodge proceedings of 1910 and 1911, and I take pleasure in making the following report of the meeting.

Thirty-three Grand Lodges were represented, the most of them by their Grand Masters, and some of them had two representations present.

M.W. Bro. Shryock, of Maryland, President of the Association, had called a meeting of its officers to meet on the 21st to consider matters looking to the improvement of the permanent organization adopted the year previous.

As a Vice-President I was present at this preliminary meeting. Many questions were discussed, recommended and adopted by the Association at its regular session.

Notable among them was the consideration of the best method for raising funds for the erection of the proposed "Memorial to Washington, the Mason," the principal object for which the Association was created. As a result, representations were appointed in each Grand Lodge to take steps as he or his Grand Lodge seemed best. You were appointed as such representative for Illinois.

Many of the Grand Lodges, if not all, are now active in one way or another, in soliciting funds for the Association, some, and I think most of them, have brethren visiting lodges in their jurisdictions for this pur-

pose. And the outlook for the consummation of this most laudable undertaking seems very encouraging.

The regular session occupied the entire day and many important matters pertaining to the erection of this Memorial were discussed by eminent craftsmen and sentiments of patriotism, love of country and the old flag, were expressed by representatives from all sections of our beloved land, and none more so than by those coming from southern states.

In my report to the Grand Lodge last October I said, "At a meeting of the Association last February, it was voted to ask each Grand Lodge to appropriate $100 annually to assist in defraying the expenses of the Association," and recommended that this amount be appropriated and sent annually to the Association for that purpose.

My recommendation was approved by the Finance Committee and adopted by the Grand Lodge.

At the meeting last February, when the list of Grand Lodges that had sent $100 was read, Illinois did not appear and when I asked the reason was surprised and embarassed when told that it had not been received.

On investigation I found that this matter, for reasons unknown to myself, does not appear in Grand Lodge proceedings.

I want to suggest that the action of the Grand Lodge appropriating $100 annually for the purpose stated, be printed in the proceedings of the next session of Grand Lodge, that the record may be complete and that the omission may not occur again.

One of the pleasantest features of the meeting was the reception of Bro. Wm. H. Taft, President of the United States. With the Grand Masters of Virginia and South Carolina, I had the distinguished honor of being selected to escort the President from Washington to Alexandria, where he was presented to and received by the Association then in session, where he made a most interesting address.

From there we escorted him to Mt. Vernon where he placed a wreath upon the sarcophagus of the immortal Washington, and thence back to Washington.

Brother Butts, Major U.S.A., and Aide to the President, who heroically went down with the ill-fated Titanic, accompanied us on the trip and affectionately attached himself to all.

From first to last the meeting was most interesting and the representatives departed for their homes enthusiastically impressed with the work accomplished.

Thanking you for the privilege and honor of representing you on this important occasion, I am, Fraternally yours,

ALBERT B. ASHLEY.

DEDICATIONS

MASONIC TEMPLE, QUINCY, ILL.

October 27, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
H. T. Burnap.....R.W. Deputy Grand Master
R. H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. W. Watson.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R.W. Grand Secretary
J. M. Hannum.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
H. B. Marsh.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. O. Wade.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
C. T. Holmes.....as W. Grand Marshal
C. H. Nutt.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
W. C. Hamilton.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
S. S. Borden.....W. Grand Senior Deacon
C. L. Gregory.....as W. Grand Junior Deacon
J. B. Thomas.....as W. Grand Steward
R. E. Downing.....as W. Grand Steward
John Batschy..... Principal Architect
S. A. Lee.....Master of Oldest Lodge
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
A. E. Kidd.....Bearer of Symbol
A. F. Wiedman.....Bearer of Symbol
Otho Arnold Bearer of Symbol
J. I. Martin.....Bearer of Symbol

MASONIC HALL, BELLFLOWER, ILL.

December 13, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

H. M. Palmer.....as M.W. Grand Master
F. H. Blose.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Amos Ball.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden

W. A. Hoover.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
F. M. Strout.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
N. B. Tyler.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
J. E. Jeffers.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Owen Scott.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. M. Jordan.....as Principal Architect
Robert Carson.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
B. A. Harvey.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
O. G. Anderson.....as W. Grand Steward
H. C. Knidup.....as W. Grand Steward
R. W. Ely.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
A. E. Butler.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
A. O. Poff.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
N. B. Carson.....as W. Grand Marshal
Robert Dowie.....as Brother Grand Tyler
J. M. Pendergast.....Master of Oldest Lodge
W. S. Lamb Symbol Bearer
W. P. Lewis.....Symbol Bearer
F. E. Nagle.....Symbol Bearer
Ralph Edwards Symbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, LACON, ILL.

February 27, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
Francis Bradley.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Charles Coker.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
William G. Dorsey.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
William Koenneman.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Richard H. Maxwell.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. John D. Calhoon.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
George W. Cowan.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Timothy Van Antwerp.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
Wilbur Pettett.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Lewis H. Allen.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Elia Hexten.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Emory Lamb.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Andrew R. Hancock.....as W. Grand Steward
John R. Delsly.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler

Jay H. Magoon..... Principal Architect
Homer Barney Symbol Bearer
Leslie Barr Symbol Bearer
Holder Brask Symbol Bearer
Esley T. Fisher.....Symbol Bearer
Henry E. Rowley.....Master of Oldest Lodge

MASONIC TEMPLE, OGDEN, ILL.

March 15, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
J. E. Jeffers.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
A. E. Wood.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
C. L. Sandusky.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
F. W. Supple.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
C. N. Clark.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
W. G. Spurgin.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. J. C. Nate.....as R.W. Grand Orator
W. P. Jones.....as W. Grand Marshal
F. M. Brown.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. H. McCowan.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. R. Jones.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
L. S. Kirkpatrick.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
V. W. McIntyre.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Geo. N. Freeman.....Principal Architect
James Scott.....as W. Grand Steward
Henry Richards.....as W. Grand Steward
Harry Barcus.....as Master Oldest Lodge
C. A. Fry Symbol Bearer
H. S. Alsip.....Symbol Bearer
F. E. Fenters.....Symbol Bearer
H. E. Davis.....Symbol Bearer
Chris Leverenz.....as Brother Grand Tyler

HYDE PARK MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

April 6, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
David D. King.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ralph H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden

William Wilhartz.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Leroy A. Goddard.....R.W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Roullier.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
E. C. Tillotson.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beach.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Harry W. Harvey.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
Jay L. Brewster.....W. Grand Standard Bearer
William H. Bied.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Seymour S. Borden.....W. Senior Grand Deacon
Harry A. Dever.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
William G. Houghton.....as W. Grand Steward
Andrew McNally.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
Maxwell Levy.....Master Oldest Lodge
Alex. L. Levy.....Principal Architect
Samuel N. Knit.....Symbol Bearer
Ike S. Finklestein.....Symbol Bearer
Leo Alter.....Symbol Bearer
Charles H. Ehrlich.....Symbol Bearer

Masonic Temple, Belvidere, Ill.

April 11, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Elmer E. Beach.....as M.W. Grand Master
David D. King.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
W. H. Berry.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
C. Althaus.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
J. L. Brearton.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Roullier.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. W. T. McKee.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
G. C. Tallerdy.....as R.W. Grand Orator
M. E. Dorn.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
H. L. Heywood.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. W. Eldredge.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. O. Anderson.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
R. R. Brown.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Roy Bateson.....as W. Grand Steward
Carl Cramer.....as W. Grand Steward
Chris. W. Leverenz.....as Brother Grand Tyler

R. H. Jukes.....Master of Oldest Lodge
B. S. Herbert.....Principal Architect
A. E. Le Bell Symbol Bearer
C. Thrush Symbol Bearer
M. M. Lucas.....Symbol Bearer
W. Brill Symbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

April 16, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
H. T. Burnap.....R.W. Deputy Grand Master
H. M. Palmer.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....R.W. Junior Grand Warden
J. E. Jeffers.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R.W. Grand Secretary
J. C. Nate.....R.W. Grand Chaplain
Owen Scott.....as R.W. Grand Orator
B. I. Pumpelley.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
J. M. Hannum.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
N. B. Carson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
W. N. Ewing.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
T. W. Nixon.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. G. Bright.....as W. Grand Steward
Jos. Wetzel.....as W. Grand Steward
Wm. Muhl.....as W. Grand Steward
G. E. Pickard.....as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
C. B. Hamilton.....Master Oldest Lodge
Clerc Tilbury.....Principal Architect

AUDITORIUM MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO, ILL.

April 30, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
H. W. Harvey.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
D. D. King.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden

E. J. Merki.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R.W. Grand Secretary
William Wilhartz.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
A. H. Bell.....R.W. Grand Orator
E. C. Tillotson.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
W. R. Goodheart.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
T. A. Stevens as W. Grand Sword Bearer
S. S. Borden.....W. Senior Grand Deacon
W. H. Bied.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
H. A. Dever.....as W. Grand Steward
E. E. Beach.....as W. Grand Steward
F. A. Luse.....as W. Grand Steward
A. Roullier.....as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
T. M. Avery.....Master Oldest Lodge
S. M. Eichberg.....Principal Architect
S. Kahnweiler Symbol Bearer
J. Gerber Symbol Bearer
J. M. Pace.....Symbol Bearer
W. C. Schenk.....Symbol Bearer

Masonic Temple, Mt. Carmel, Ill.

June 18, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
J. R. Ennis as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ralph H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
J. M. Mitchell.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. F. Chipman.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. P. Orland.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Peter Scherer as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Chas. H. Martin as R.W. Grand Orator
T. H. Puckett.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott W. Grand Marshal
C. E. Launer.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Chas. Smith.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. T. Sandusky.....as Senior Grand Deacon
Mark Wise as Junior Grand Deacon
W. A. Stansfield.....as W. Grand Steward
H. E. Hanson.....as W. Grand Steward

Ira F. Wood.....Principal Architect
Samuel Shannon Master Oldest Lodge
C. S. Gurney.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Howard Hobard Symbol Bearer
Oscar Schucker Symbol Bearer
A. A. Seibert Symbol Bearer
L. E. McKittrick Symbol Bearer

MASONIC TEMPLE, SHELBYVILLE, ILL.

June 25, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Henry T. Burnap.....as M.W. Grand Master
A. M. Bloxam.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
C. O. Faught.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
E. J. Scarborough.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Harry Turner.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. S. Amlin.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. John A. Tracey.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
W. E. Neaden.....as R.W. Grand Orator
D. A. Milligan as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott W. Grand Marshal
Chas. Jackson as W. Grand Standard Bearer
E. A. Boone.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. A. Flock.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
E. Tackett.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
G. W. Tipsword.....W. Grand Steward
F. Klauser as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
R. I. Pugh Symbol Bearer
J. Eberspacken Symbol Bearer
Vance Courtright Symbol Bearer
Louis Coun Symbol Bearer
S. P. Bowyer Master Oldest Lodge
John T. Weakley Principal Architect

LODGES CONSTITUTED

North Shore Lodge No. 937, Chicago.

Constituted October 17, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
H. T. Burnap.....R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Albert Jampolis.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
David D. King.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Albert Roullier.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Henry E. Van Loon.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beach.....as R.W. Grand Orator
James F. Boyle.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
Harry E. Dever.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Albert T. Thompson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Seymour S. Borden.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
William H. Bied.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Maxwell Levy.....as W. Grand Steward
Sidney B. Harvey.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney Brother Grand Tyler
P. A. Macfarlane Master Oldest Lodge
J. E. Hatt Symbol Bearer
J. R. W. Cluce.....Symbol Bearer
T. H. W. Knight.....Symbol Bearer
J. F. Kunze Symbol Bearer

Hinsdale Lodge No. 934, Hinsdale.

Constituted October 19, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Leroy A. Goddard.....as M.W. Grand Master
James McCredie.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
John Greaves.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Robert C. Fletcher.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
D. E. Eddy.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. Wm. White Wilson.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain

David D. King.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. H. Griffith.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
Frank Faul.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
E. H. Patterson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Wm. Peterson.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
E. H. Huntington as W. Junior Grand Deacon
H. W. Chase as W. Grand Steward
F. M. Tapper.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney Brother Grand Tyler
Jesse B. Barton Symbol Bearer
Charles A. Allen Symbol Bearer
Robert Boyd Symbol Bearer
Robert A. Childs Symbol Bearer

BOHEMIA LODGE NO. 943, CHICAGO.

Constituted October 20, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Henry T. Burnap.....as M.W. Grand Master
David D. King.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Elmer E. Beach.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Albert Routiller.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
William G. Houghton.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally as R.W. Grand Secretary
Henry E. Van Loon.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
William H. Bead.....as R.W. Grand Orator
James F. Boyle.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott W. Grand Marshal
Albert T. Thompson.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Sidney S. Pollack.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Seymour S. Borden.....W. Senior Grand Deacon
T. M. Avery.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
P. A. MacFarlane as W. Grand Steward
Roy K. Wheeler.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester E. Gurney Bro. Grand Tyler
Roswell T. Spencer.....Master Oldest Lodge
V. Lusy Symbol Bearer
J. Pecha Symbol Bearer
J. Klucina Symbol Bearer
F. J. Cekal Symbol Bearer

JUSTICE LODGE NO. 949, CHICAGO.

Constituted October 21, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Harry W. Harvey.....as M.W. Grand Master
David D. King.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Lewsi Hazard.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
H. S. Simpson.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
L. A. Brinkman.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Roscoe C. Clark.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Wm. G. Houghton.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Roy K. Wheeler.....asas R.W. Grand Orator
Robt. Johnston.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Andrew McNally as W. Grand Marshal
Wm. H. Whitmore.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Nathaniel Schooler as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Frank Hoffman.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
F. J. Orton.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
S. W. Cotterel.....as W. Grand Steward
Benj. Scholton.....as W. Grand Steward
Chester S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
Chas. H. Cubbon.....Master of the Oldest Lodge
I. M. Scott Symbol Bearer
F. H. Hepner.....Symbol Bearer
C. E. Parsill.....Symbol Bearer
A. J. Swanson.....Symbol Bearer

JOHN CORSON SMITH LODGE NO. 944, CHICAGO.

Constituted October 23, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

E. W. Peterson.....as M.W. Grand Master
N. E. Murray.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
R. H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
R. J. Daley.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Harry W. Harvey.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
A. McNally.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Thomas G. Kerwin.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Oscar A. Kropf as R.W. Grand Orator
Henry Lesch.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
John Johnson as W. Grand Marshal

T. E. Gurney.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. T. Thompson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. N. McFarlane.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Wm. H. Sleepeck.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. F. Campbell.....as W. Grand Steward
W. Phillips as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney Bro. Grand Tyler
Leo Michael Master Oldest Lodge
Robert A. Smith Symbol Bearer
Samuel H. Smith Symbol Bearer
John Corson Smith, Jr.....Symbol Bearer
Arthur J. Behrendt Symbol Bearer

ROCK FALLS LODGE NO. 936, ROCK FALLS.

Constituted October 24, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

W. C. Stilson.....as M.W. Grand Master
Frank Cubit.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
J. M. Olson.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. Eichler.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
O. B. Anderson.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. D. Baum.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
C. H. Tuttle.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
H. C. Ward.....as R.W. Grand Orator
George D. Laing.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
J. J. Ludens.....as W. Grand Marshal
H. L. Harrington.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. Brown.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
R. N. Hellier.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
G. J. Sherman.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
W. A. Stoekle.....as Brother Grand Tyler
M. C. Keller.....Master Oldest Lodge

CIRCLE LODGE NO. 938, SOUTH OAK PARK.

Constituted October 26, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

David D. King.....as M.W. Grand Master
Harry W. Harvey.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Albert Roullier.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Arthur E. Wood.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden

James F. Boyle.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Wm. G. Houghton.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beach.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Chas. E. Regnas.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. Bates Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
James E. Jeffers.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
E. R. Turnbull.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Harry A. Dever.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Ira J. McDowell.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Emerson E. Porter.....as W. Grand Steward
Sidney B. Harvey.....as W. Grand Steward
Charles H. Crane.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Wm. Elmer Edwards.....Master of Oldest Lodge
Nicholas H. Stahl.....Symbol Bearer
Roy K. Wheeler.....Symbol Bearer
R. C. Robinson.....Symbol Bearer
J. Henry Peetz Symbol Bearer

KENMORE LODGE NO. 947, CHICAGO.

Constituted October 26, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

E. W. Peterson.....as M.W. Grand Master
N. E. Murray.....as R. W.Deputy Grand Master
Godfred Langhenry.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
C. W. Dudley.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
I. C. Peterson.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Otto Gondolf.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
T. G. Kerwin.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Roy S. Bates.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Jacob A. Freund.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
A. Jampolis.....as W. Grand Marshal
Arthur Spensley.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
H. W. Boyd.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Chas. W. Bastgen.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Louis Steinberg.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Fred M. Glennon.....as W. Grand Steward
Otto Fetting.....as W. Grand Steward
Jos. Dutton.....as Brother Grand Tyler
J. F. Campbell.....Master Oldest Lodge
S. V. Hollesen.....Symbol Bearer

J. J. Burke.....Symbol Bearer
H. A. Sultan.....Symbol Bearer
Perley A. Russell.....Symbol Bearer

WILMETTE LODGE NO. 931, WILMETTE.

Constituted October 27, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Harry W. Harvey.....as M.W. Grand Master
Harry A. Dever.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Chauncey F. Newkirk.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Fred E. Trotter.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Lewis B. Springer.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Asahel W. Gage.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
William G. Houghton.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. Harry S. Longley.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Horace S. Poole.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William H. Bied.....as W. Grand Marshal
Otto C. Wehrstedt.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
James T. Wray.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
James F. Boyle.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
George H. Crain.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
William L. Mayer.....as W. Grand Steward
Ira J. McDowell.....as W. Grand Steward
William M. Sterling.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Lewis C. Downs.....Master Oldest Lodge
George R. Harbaugh.....Symbol Bearer
Richard J. Burrows.....Symbol Bearer
Russell A. Calkins.....Symbol Bearer
Frank R. Eager.....Symbol Bearer

JOSEPH ROBBINS LODGE NO. 930, PEORIA.

Constituted October 27, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

John C. Weis.....as M.W. Grand Master
Harry L. Kelly.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Leo Darst.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Wm. Ohl.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Edw. Wilson.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
John Payne.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
C. S. DeGraff.....as R.W. Grand Orator

J. F. Page.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
R. W. Fuller.....as W. Grand Marshal
F. E. Beebe.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
L. W. Gardwin.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. A. Vance.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Wm. Gillis as W. Junior Grand Deacon
A. C. Peterson.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
L. Dalton.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
J. D. McAvoy.....Bearer Great Lights
Fred Burbach.....as Brother Grand Tyler

ELMHURST LODGE NO. 941, ELMHURST.

Constituted October 27, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

John H. Griffiths.....as M.W. Grand Master
N. E. Murray.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
H. C. Knisely.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
I. C. Peterson.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
J. N. Dies.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. N. Redfern.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
H. W. Rathburn.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
W. L. Wilson.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Geo. E. Smith.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Edward Peterson.....as W. Grand Marshal
H. L. Whiteley.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
F. W. Goodwin.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. C. Puetz.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
H. H. Holcomb.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
H. Barker.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
D. R. Eddy.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
A. L. Perrottet.....Master Oldest Lodge
R. C. Fletcher.....as Brother Grand Tyler
W. H. Mardoda.....Symbol Bearer
A. H. Putnam.....Symbol Bearer
H. C. Schumacker.....Symbol Bearer
Chas. Hess..... Symbol Bearer

SANDOVAL LODGE NO. 392, SANDOVAL.

Constituted October 28, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Anthony Doherty.....as M.W. Grand Master
D. E. Fitzgerald.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master

Warren W. Murfin.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Joel E. Brown.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. M. Todd.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. E. Geothart.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
W. P. Rutledge.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
S. W. Baird.....as R.W. Grand Orator
F. W. Rinehart.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
J. W. Delghe.....as W. Grand Senior Deacon
Elmer Sadler.....as W. Grand Junior Deacon
F. M. Honnent.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. W. Smith.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. Rhone.....Master Oldest Lodge
J. F. Switzer.....as W. Grand Steward
H. A. Ginthis.....as W. Grand Steward
C. H. Thompson.....as W. Grand Marshal
J. M. Willard.....as Brother Grand Tyler

BUFFALO LODGE NO. 945, BUFFALO.

Constituted October 30, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Sidney S. Breese.....as M.W. Grand Master
W. R. Constant.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
S. J. Benner.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
John Yocum.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Oliver McDaniel.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
T. E. Orr.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
J. F. McAnnally.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
G. H. Henderson.....as W. Grand Marshal
J. F. McLennan.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
R. S. Matthews.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Ralph Tobin.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
H. H. Bast.....as W. Grand Steward
R. P. Lynn.....as W. Grand Steward
Samuel Hays.....as Brother Grand Tyler

PEARL LODGE NO. 940, PEARL.

Constituted November 1, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Henry T. Burnap.....as M.W. Grand Master
Alonzo Ellis.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master

C. Clemens.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Robert Dixon.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
G. M. Wyatt.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Frank Merrill.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
W. A. Jolley.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Geo. B. Sieverling.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Thomas Smith.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
L. Caywood.....as W. Grand Marshal
L. A. Beatty.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. E. Vasselor.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
D. G. Evans.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Harry Fry.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. H. Winters.....as W. Grand Steward
E. E. Griswold.....as W. Grand Steward
E. C. Pierce.....as Brother Grand Tyler
G. B. Garrison.....Master of Oldest Lodge
J. A. Miller.....Symbol Bearer
David Frank Symbol Bearer
John Lytle.....Symbol Bearer
James Kelly.....Symbol Bearer

Maple Park No. 942, Maple Park.

Constituted November 3, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

C. J. Wightman.....as M.W. Grand Master
Jas. Hutchinson, Jr.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Frank E. Wright.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Allen C. Hinds.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
R. B. Field.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
John R. Waterman.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Emanuel Y. Knapp.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
O. P. Herrick.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Geo. S. Bauder.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William Patterson.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Chas. W. Steenrod.....as Grand Sword Bearer
C. A. Stuart.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Fred W. Browne.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Rockie Minium.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
John Winterhalter.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
George Patterson.....as W. Grand Marshal
G. C. Terwilliger.....as Brother Grand Tyler

Manlius Lodge No. 933, Manlius.

Constituted November 8, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Francis H. Bradley.....as M.W. Grand Master
Eugene Moran.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Grant Bushey.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Ben Reiley.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Claude Melvin.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Albert Voight.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Daniel Dean.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
John Taylor.....as R.W. Grand Orator
James Suggitt.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
Harry L. Parker.....as W. Grand Marshal
S. E. Wheelock.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
E. L. Mullin.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Ray Pervier.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Burt Brown.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
W. S. Reeser.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
Burt Miller.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
Andrew Rudiger.....Master of Oldest Lodge
H. Huselman.....as Brother Grand Tyler
R. Allen Symbol Bearer
Geo. Andrews Symbol Bearer
Chas. Markee Symbol Bearer
H. Andrews Symbol Bearer

Joy Lodge No. 946, Joy.

Constituted November 8, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

D. E. Farr.....as M.W. Grand Master
C. E. Allen.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
S. R. Amlong.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
E. E. Emerick.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
C. F. Drury.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. A. Lorimer.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
C. L. Gregory.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
G. A. Cooke.....as R.W. Grand Orator
W. M. Prouty.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
C. T. Holmes.....as W. Grand Marshal
C. F. Lytle.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer

A. L. Willits.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. E. Duvall.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
R. B. Merritt.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
A. W. West.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
E. R. Petrie.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
P. F. Mauck.....as Brother Grand Tyler
E. E. Bower.....Master of the Oldest Lodge
S. S. Boruff.....Symbol Bearer
F. A. Rader.....Symbol Bearer
G. H. Moore.....Symbol Bearer
H. O. Baner.....Symbol Bearer

LaMoyne Lodge No. 935, Brooklyn.

Constituted November 14, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

E. M. Crain.....as M.W. Grand Master
A. Vaughn.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
W. S. Twidell.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
John W. Richardson.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Thomas Hester.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
C. C. Beckerdite.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
E. F. Cady.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
A. O. Renaker.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Stowell Cady.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
John G. Melvin.....as W. Grand Marshal
Bert Crafton.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Jonas King.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
R. P. Hite.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
E. S. Chipman.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
George Gray.....as W. Grand Steward
Albert Heney.....as W. Grand Steward
Henry Beebe.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Arthur Stambaugh Master Oldest Lodge
W. P. White Symbol Bearer
G. M. Bellomy.....Symbol Bearer
A. Weaver Symbol Bearer
W. F. Irwin Symbol Bearer

ASHLAND LODGE NO. 929, ASHLAND.

Constituted November 16, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Truman P. Carter.....as M.W. Grand Master
F. E. Baldwin.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Dr. G. R. Bradley.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Jos. L. Whittaker.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Rev. F. A. McCarty.....as R.W. Grand Orator
Dr. G. W. Miller.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
F. E. Munch.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Chas. Rabjohns as R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. G. Strawn.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
A. C. Metcalf.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
W. L. Shibe.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
W. T. Jones.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
Dr. E. F. Leonard.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
R. R. Buckthorpe.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
W. C. Bodger.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. A. Schaub.....as Master Oldest Lodge
Henry Frisch Symbol Bearer
H. D. Atkins Symbol Bearer
F. H. Montgomery.....Symbol Bearer
W. A. Crawley Symbol Bearer
Jas. F. Self.....as Brother Grand Tyler

TABLE GROVE LODGE NO. 939, TABLE GROVE.

Constituted November 22, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

L. W. Morton.....as M.W. Grand Master
Arthur Brown.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
D. B. Carithers.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Chas. Haist as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
I. T. Wetzel.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Chas. Cox.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
John Hughes as R.W. Grand Chaplain
A. Bartholomew.....as R.W. Grand Orator
E. Hoke.....as R.W. Grand Pursuivant
Ross Stoke.....as R.W. Senior Grand Deacon
T. Lovell.....as R.W. Junior Grand Deacon
E. Barker.....as R.W. Grand Steward

D. Perry as R.W. Grand Steward
H. F. Merritt.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
J. Marshall.....as W. Grand Marshal
W. W. Clemmens.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Ed. Waters Symbol Bearer
C. Warner Symbol Bearer
I. J. Barker Symbol Bearer
E. Hammond Symbol Bearer

R. F. Casey Lodge No. 948, Kell.

Constituted November 23, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

C. N. Hambleton.....as M.W. Grand Master
J. R. Walker.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Wm. H. Howell.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Joel D. Simmons.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Jno. F. Hawkins.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
W. S. Slack as R.W. Grand Secretary
F. M. Purcell as R.W. Grand Chaplain
A. L. Smith.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. K. Simmons as W. Grand Pursuivant
K. T. Strattan as W. Grand Marshal
O. G. Hays.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Amos Mays as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. M. Giddings as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Geo. Gerdis as W. Junior Grand Deacon
J. B. Martin.....as W. Senior Grand Steward
P. E. Hawkins.....as W. Junior Grand Steward
J. C. Ward.....as Brother Grand Tyler
J. S. March.....Master Oldest Lodge
Wm. H. Ward.....Symbol Bearer
J. B. McConnell.....Sybmol Bearer
G. B. McNeelley.....Symbol Bearer
G. H. Freeman.....Symbol Bearer

Grant Park Lodge No. 928, Grant Park.

Constituted December 1, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

W. I. Holcomb.....as M.W. Grand Master
W. C. Trowbridge.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master

George J. Wohner as R.W. Grand Senior Warden
Oakley Roat as R.W. Grand Junior Warden
Geo. A. Searles.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Wm. Lyne as R.W. Grand Secretary
A. L. Nickerson.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
O. A. Burdick.....as R.W. Grand Orator
C. A. Wilder.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
L. S. Coale.....as W. Grand Marshal
W. Mangran as W. Grand Senior Deacon
F. W. Reed.....as W. Grand Junior Deacon
D. D. VanVoohis.....as W. Grand Senior Steward
Wm. Beilfelt as W. Grand Junior Steward
G. H. Exline.....Master Oldest Lodge
G. P. Ferree.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Earnest Hughes.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. B. Ericksen.....as Brother Grand Tyler
Albert Wright Symbol Bearer
Richard Hopkins Symbol Bearer
Harry Cole Symbol Bearer
F. C. Feverbaugh Symbol Bearer

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HYDE PARK MASONIC TEMPLE, CHICAGO.

November 4, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
William Wilhartz as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ralph H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Harry W. Harvey.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Harry A. Dever.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
E. C. Tillotson as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Elmer E. Beach.....as R.W. Grand Orator
R. C. Clark.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
David D. King.....as W. Grand Marshal
James John.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Wm. H. Bied.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
S. S. Borden.....W. Senior Grand Deacon

Albert Roullier.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Ralph W. King.....as W. Grand Steward
George Edwards.....as W. Grand Steward
Hyman Silverman.....as W. Grand Steward
Louis J. Frahm.....as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
Alex. L. Levy.....Principal Architect
Frank A. West.....Master of Oldest Lodge

Douglas County Court House, Tuscola.

November 16, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
Frank F. Collins.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
Ralph H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
Edgar D. Morrow.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
C. G. Stovall.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
C. A. Hawkins.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
H. W. Crabb.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
L. Y. Sherman.....as R.W. Grand Orator
I. S. Williams.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
J. E. Jeffers.....as W. Grand Marshal
C. C. Pickett.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
G. N. Todd.....W. Grand Sword Bearer
F. A. Burgraf.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
Fred Ebel.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
F. W. Lockhart.....as W. Grand Steward
M. R. Jones.....as W. Grand Steward
J. W. Ellington.....as W. Grand Steward
C. Ed. Cox as W. Grand Steward
C. F. Dillow.....as Brother Grand Tyler
C. A. Moon Principal Architect
C. D. Robinson.....Master of Oldest Lodge

High School Building, Virginia.

July 31, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
Harry F. Smith.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
R. H. Mann.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden

W. T. Gordley.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
C. W. Parry.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
E. Needham.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. G. W. Morton.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Rev. F. A. McCarty.....as R.W. Grand Orator
G. F. Hillig.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
J. L. Walker.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
M. C. Petefish.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
C. H. Noeker.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
B. O. Springer.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Henry Jacobs.....as W. Grand Steward
Glenn Petefish.....as W. Grand Steward
C. E. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
L. Davis Master Oldest Lodge
C. T. Sutherd..... Principal Architect

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, CHENOA.

November 7, 1911.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
Harry M. Palmer.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
N. B. Carson.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....R.W. Junior Grand Warden
George R. Smith.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
H. H. Baker.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
J. H. Ryan.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. H. Boose.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Joseph Wetzel.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
M. W. Washburn.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
John F. Goudy.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
H. A. Winter.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
W. W. Kenney.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
William Naylor as W. Grand Steward
Charles E. Trimble.....as W. Grand Steward
John Conerus as W. Grand Steward
W. P. Miller.....as W. Grand Steward
C. F. Churchill.....as W. Grand Marshal
A. H. Birch.....Principal Architect
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
William Withers Master Oldest Lodge

Masonic Temple, Jefferson Park,

August 1, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
H. W. Harvey.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
H. A. Dever.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
D. D. King.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
L. A. Goddard.....R.W. Grand Treasurer
J. F. Boyle.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
W. G. Houghton.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
E. E. Beach.....as R.W. Grand Orator
E. C. Tillotson.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
J. H. Dymond.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
A. T. Thompson.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Max Levy.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
S. B. Harvey.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Elof Peterson.....as W. Grand Steward
N. O. Nelson.....as W. Grand Steward
W. D. Price.....Principal Architect
Wm. Tinsley.....Master Oldest Lodge
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler

Masonic Temple

Collinsville, Ill., August 31, 1912.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE.

H. T. Burnap.....as M.W. Grand Master
W. H. Hadley.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
A. C. Gauen.....as R.W. Senior Grand Warden
John Bhuso.....as R.W. Junior Grand Warden
J. H. B. Willoughby.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Cicero Ogle.....as R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. R. W. Evatt.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
Thomas Williamson.....as R.W. Grand Orator
I. J. Eales.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
R. Guy Needler.....as W. Grand Marshal
James Rawson.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
Emil Wildi.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
Peter Greive Jr.....as W. Grand Senior Deacon

Fred Talbot.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
F. M. Scott.....as W. Grand Steward
William Lepp.....as W. Grand Steward
Charles A. Monk.....as W. Grand Steward
W. E. Hadley.....as W. Grand Steward
Geo. V. Engleman.....Master of Oldest Lodge
W. H. Field.....Principal Architect
C. S. Gurney.....Bro. Grand Tyler

GOVERNMENT BUILDING

Matoon, Ill., September 5, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
W. P. Jones.....R.W. Deputy Grand Master
R. H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....R.W. Junior Grand Warden
Fred Hudson.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer
Isaac Cutter.....R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. A. H. Kelso.....as R.W. Grand Chaplain
B. F. Dowell.....as R.W. Grand Orator
J. R. Hamilton.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
S. A. Wright.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
F. M. Freeman.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
J. A. Steel.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
A. E. Wood.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
G. W. Tipsword.....W. Grand Steward
W. S. Craig.....as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
E. H. Stratton.....as Principal Architect
F. N. Todd.....Master Oldest Lodge

MASONIC TEMPLE.

Champaign, Ill., September 4, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah.....M.W. Grand Master
W.P. Jones.....as R.W. Deputy Grand Master
R. H. Wheeler.....R.W. Senior Grand Warden
A. H. Scrogin.....R.W. Junior Grand Warden
W. G. Spurgen.....as R.W. Grand Treasurer

Isaac Cutter.....R.W. Grand Secretary
Rev. Joseph C. Nate.....R.W. Grand Chaplain
A. H. Bell.....R.W. Grand Orator
C. L. Sandusky.....as W. Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott.....W. Grand Marshal
Seely Brown.....as W. Grand Standard Bearer
L. W. Morton.....as W. Grand Sword Bearer
A. E. Wood.....as W. Senior Grand Deacon
J. A. Steel.....as W. Junior Grand Deacon
Benj. Buiz.....as W. Grand Steward
C. W. Cofen.....as W. Grand Steward
W. F. Heath.....as W. Grand Steward
D. E. Bruffet.....as W. Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney.....Brother Grand Tyler
N. S. Spencer.....Principal Architect
D. G. Swannell.....Master Oldest Lodge

Masonic Temple

Austin, Ill., September 21, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah Grand Master
H. A. Dever Deputy Grand Master
H. W. Harvey Senior Grand Warden
D. D. King Junior Grand Warden
T. M. Avery Grand Treasurer
Andrew McNally Grand Secretary
W. G. Houghton Grand Chaplain
E. E. Beach Grand Orator
E. C. Tillotson Grand Pursuivant
M. B. Iott Grand Marshal
W. H. Bied Grand Standard Bearer
George Edwards Grand Sword Bearer
H. H. Milnor Senior Grand Deacon
R. C. Clark Junior Grand Deacon
R. S. Church Grand Steward
R. R. Pegram Grand Steward
Elof Peterson Grand Steward
A. O. Novander Grand Steward
C. S. Gurney Grand Tyler
Roy K. Wheeler Master Oldest Lodge
E. E Roberts Principal Architect

NOTICE TO DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS OF APPOINTMENT.

Dear Sir and Right Worshipful Brother:—I take pleasure in handing you herewith your commission as District Deputy Grand Master of the district wherein you reside. This position is one of great honor and distinction, but it is likewise one of duty and responsibility. There are so many lodges in our great state, that it is impossible for the Grand Master to give to each that time and attention which it should have. For this reason a part of the supervision of lodges must be delegated to others.

In making this appointment it is hoped and expected that you will apply yourself to the service of the Craft as Entered Apprentices served their masters in ancient times, with freedom, fervency and zeal.

The duties of the District Deputy Grand Master are not clearly defined by the laws of the Grand Lodge and much is left to the judgment and discretion of that officer. It is, however, the province of the Grand Master to assign such duties as he may deem wise and expedient, and to that end, the following is fraternally requested:

First: That you pay an official visit to each of the lodges of your district at an early date and thoroughly inspect their books and records, paraphernalia and place of meeting, and offer such suggestions as may be deemed necessary for a thorough compliance with the laws and usages of the fraternity. In order that you may better understand what is expected from an official visit, I am sending you detailed report blanks, the purpose of which is to be able to arrive at some intelligent knowledge of the condition of the lodges of your district. Please see that this report is forwarded promptly to the Grand Master immediately following official visit.

Second: In making an official visit, discourage receptions and elaborate banquets tendered in your honor. Let the call be one of business and true fraternity.

Third: Urge the officers and members of the lodge to study the Grand Lodge By-Laws thoroughly before asking questions, but whenever in doubt, to feel free to consult you. Encourage them in submitting the affairs of the lodge to you before sending them to the Grand Master. Remember, that as Grand Master of your district, you are expected to know and to interpret the law correctly and will be held strictly accountable for the correctness of any answer you may make. In all mooted questions it would be well to submit your conclusions to the Grand Master before forwarding them to the lodge.

Fourth: Urge upon lodges the necessity of keeping their halls and paraphernalia properly insured; also emphasize the preservation of books and records in fireproof safes.

Fifth: Give lodges thoroughly to understand that there is no key nor cipher purporting to contain the authorized work of this Grand Jurisdiction, and that the possession of such will subject the holder thereof to severest discipline.

Sixth: If you know of a single lodge in your district that is disrupted with internal dissensions, proceed there at once, and do your utmost to restore peace and harmony. Should you fail, report the facts to the Grand Master.

Seventh Encourage the lodges of your district to hold more special meetings, that the brethren may come into a better realization of the fraternal features of the institution. Suggest that study meetings be called, that the brethren may learn more of the Ritual, History and Symbolism of the fraternity, and thereby come into a higher understanding of its purposes and intentions.

Eighth: Help the weaker lodges of your district and interest neighboring lodges in their behalf, and make every endeavor to render them such assistance as will enable them to help themselves.

Ninth: During the winter months hold a district school of instruction at some convenient place in your district. The expenses to be pro rated among the resident lodges. Urge the Masters, Wardens and brethren to be present at this school, the purpose of which should be to give thorough instruction in the Ritual, law and symbolism of the fraternity, as well as to bring to their attention all those things which are essential in a regular and well governed lodge. As all instruction imparted in the state should be under direct control of the Board of Grand Examiners, you are requested to advise the chairman of the Board whom you have selected to conduct your school, in order that they may know that the brother so selected is competent to teach the work of this Grand Jurisdiction. Do not hold a district school within one hundred miles of a state school on the same dates.

Tenth: In asking you to do this service for the Craft, I must remind you that the labor is to be one of love and devotion. The Grand Lodge does not make any provision for paying expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters while on official visits, and the whole matter must be left to the generosity of lodges visited. However, it is believed that when the Grand Lodge can be shown that the District Deputy Grand Masters are of great value in its organization, and that a system of district inspection is vitally necessary in order to maintain a high standard

of efficiency, it will generously provide the means for thorough district visitation and inspection.

Eleventh: It will not be necessary for you to notify the lodges of your district of your appointment. That will be done from this office.

Fraternally,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,
Grand Master.

NOTICE TO LODGES OF APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., October 25, 1911.

To the Master, Wardens and Brethren:

Dear Brethren:—In accordance with the provisions of Article XIV of the Constitution of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Illinois, I have appointed Brother..... of....., Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master of the..... District, in which your lodge is located.

It is my earnest desire that the District Deputy Grand Masters maintain a more intimate relationship with the lodges of their respective districts, and to that end I ask you to receive into your confidence the Brother appointed to preside over your district that he may be of service to you and your lodge, and thus help to maintain the high standard of excellence which the Grand Lodge expects from its constituent lodges,

The District Deputy Grand Master does not visit you in a spirit of criticism, nor with a desire to find fault, but rather to assist, to encourage and help the lodge in the attainment of a higher standard of proficiency.

Whenever questions involving interpretations of law or the proprieties of Masonry arise in your lodge, feel free to submit them to your District Deputy who is thoroughly competent to answer all such questions and to help keep the lodge from serious error. If the District Deputy is unable to make a satisfactory disposition of the matter it may be referred to the Grand Master who is ever ready to aid with his counsel and advice.

Whenever differences arise in your lodge, which impair its usefulness and cause ill feeling among the brethren, thus injuring the standing of

the fraternity in the community, at once call the District Deputy Grand Master, that he may exert his efforts to affect a reconciliation, and failing to do so report the facts to the Grand Master. Let us ever remember that harmony is the strength and support of our beloved fraternity.

It is my desire that the District Deputy Grand Master pay you an official visit at an early date, and I would suggest that you at once communicate with him to that end. It is not necessary that you should prepare a banquet for him, nor is a long program of work to be desired. When the date is agreed upon, notify all your members of the intended visit and let the evening be spent in a general discussion of the affairs of the lodge and the selection of the best means of increasing its efficiency and power for good in the community.

While the Grand Lodge does not make any provision covering expenses of a District Deputy while on an official visit, it is my desire that lodges of means will see that he is reimbursed for actual expenses incurred.

Finally, brethren, remember that the Grand Master is at all times accessible and is ever ready to be of assistance to any member of the Craft, from the Entered Apprentice of the northeast corner to the Master who presides in the East. He earnestly desires your co-operation in making the coming year one of increased usefulness and splendid achievement. Fraternally yours,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,
Grand Master.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION TO DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Dear Sir and Right Worshipful Brother:—Under separate cover I have outlined in a general way what I am expecting from the District Deputy Grand Masters.

There are some things which I desire to bring about which I think may be better accomplished through a campaign of education rather than by encyclical or edict. Therefore, in your administration of the affairs of your district, I am desirous that you shall do the following:

First: Write each of the lodges of your district to submit to you a copy of their by-laws. Examine same, and if you find any provisions which are at variance with the Grand Lodge By-Laws, urge lodges to correct them. If you find lodges that have no by-laws, call their attention to

that section of the Grand Lodge By-Laws which says that lodges must be provided with suitable By-Laws, and see that it is complied with.

Second: At the same time request from your lodges a copy of the form of petition for degrees and membership used by them, and if you find that it is not in accordance with the form adopted by the Grand Lodge in 1910, notify the lodges that they must provide themselves with the new form of petition which applies in these cases.

Third: Notify the lodges of your district that they must provide themselves with a suitable candidate's garment. Many lodges have already done so; others have not.

Fourth: It has come to my attention that in some parts of the state boxing or stuffed gloves are being used in lieu of a setting maul. Please notify the lodges that they must equip themselves with a proper setting maul, and that the use of stuffed gloves, paper sacks or other unmasonic devices will result in arrest of charter if persisted in.

Fifth: Instruct your Masters to discourage smoking while the lodge is conferring a degree. I personally have no objection to members smoking during a business meeting, but believe that all smoking while the lodge is at labor should be prohibited. Your good judgment and discretion will determine how this may be accomplished.

Sixth: It has come to my attention that some lodges are using pictures and illustrations at the close of a degree which have no part in either our Ritual or Symbolism. A decision by Grand Master C. E. Allen, and approved by the Grand Lodge, is understood to cover this point. Each degree should stand as a complete entity. The introduction of extraneous matter at its conclusion only serves to take the mind of the candidate from the degree itself to matter that is foreign, and is to be condemned. If, after a degree has been completed, the lodge wishes to introduce illustrated songs or make other use of its stereopticon, I can see no objection, and I trust you will bring this matter to the attention of Masters and help interest them in checking what promises to lead into a serious abuse.

Seventh: Call the attention of Masters to the fact that the constitutional questions and secretary's preparation room address in the First Degree must be given to each candidate separately.

Eighth: Call the attention of Masters to the fact that in balloting on candidates each member present must vote, unless excused at his own request, and by the unanimous consent of all members present. This is a responsibility which the fundamental principle of Masonry demand shall be shared by each member of the lodge.

Ninth: Emphasize the fact that a lodge cannot be opened, business transacted, nor work done unless the Master or a Warden is actually present.

Tenth: Instruct all Masters to see that visitors are examined separately.

Eleventh: There will doubtless arise many other points of law and usage which should be brought to the attention of lodge officers. It should ever be your province to caution lodges against violations of our established laws and customs, many of which are done through lack of knowledge.

Twelfth: In my opinion there is entirely too much publicity given to matters which should never be known outside of the lodge room. The publication in newspapers and notices of meetings, of the names of candidates who are to receive degrees is, in my judgment, a violation of the laws of the fraternity. Also, the publication in lodge notices of the *dramatis personae* of the second section of the third degree, is contrary to the usages of the institution. If a lodge wishes to state who are to participate in the second section of the degree, I can see no reason for serious objection, but to state the particular part which has been assigned to them is, in my judgment, a serious infraction of our laws. I therefore ask you to take this matter up with the Masters of your district and ask them to assist you in stopping what is fast becoming an abuse.

Fraternally yours,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,
Grand Master.

FORM OF REPORT BLANK USED BY DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

No. of District.....

REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

.....Lodge No.

Located at.....

Date of visit..... Date of report..... Members present at time of visit..... Present membership of lodge..... Net gain past twelve months..... Loss in membership past twelve months..... How often does lodge meet?..... How many members reside within jurisdiction of lodge?..... What is the average attendance per meet-

ing?..... How many meetings has lodge held past twelve months? Does lodge own its own hall?..... Is place of meeting safe and secure?..... If tenant, does lodge control lease on place of meeting?..... What is financial condition of lodge?..... Any outstanding indebtedness?..... Is secretary provided with proper books and blanks for discharge of his duties?..... Are records of lodge kept in accordance with requirements of Grand Lodge By-Laws?..... How is attendance of visitors recorded?..... How is attendance of members kept?..... Do minutes record character of reports of investigating committees?..... Do minutes show receipts for dues and fees as required by law?..... Do minutes show time of opening and closing? Are minutes signed by both Master and Secretary?..... Do minutes record any instances of lodge being opened with less than seven Master Masons present?..... Does lodge use form of petition for degrees and affiliation adopted by the Grand Lodge at its annual meeting in 1910?..... Are By-Laws of lodges in harmony with Grand Lodge By-Laws?..... Is secretary provided with roll of membership containing By-Laws of lodge for members to sign upon raising or admission?..... Have you within the last year witnessed work done by this lodge?..... Does work conform to that adopted by Grand Lodge and taught at schools of instruction?..... What was date of last instruction received from a Grand Lecturer?..... Does lodge hold meetings for instruction and practice?..... Is lodge equipped with proper paraphernalia to do its work in a creditable manner?..... Is lodge provided with the following:

Candidate's garment..... Proper setting maul..... Lesser lights Rods for Deacons..... Rods for Stewards..... Third degree outfit as prescribed by Board of Grand Examiners..... Proper receiving instruments for Senior Deacon..... Middle chamber pillars..... How many black balls in ballot box?..... Does lodge use stereopticon?..... If not, is lodge provided with charts for properly illustrating lectures of the degrees?.....

Does lodge conduct club rooms?..... Are dues of members collected promptly?..... If not, what are the average arrearages of the members?..... Are books of Secretary and Treasurer audited each year?..... Does lodge observe St. John's Day?..... Does lodge do anything in a social way for its members?..... What recommendations did you make to this lodge?..... What recommendations have you to make concerning this lodge that may help to increase its efficiency?..... Will you visit this lodge again this year?..... General comments.....

Signed.....

District Deputy Grand Master.....District.

LETTER OF INFORMATION AND ORDERS FROM THE GRAND MASTER.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL., February 1, 1912.

To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, Greeting:

MASONIC PUBLICITY.

I have been asked for an interpretation of Sec. 11, Art. 4, Part Second, Grand Lodge By-Laws, which reads as follows:

Sec. 11. All notices emanating from lodges or their officers shall be sent to members under sealed cover: *Provided,* That the bare notice of time and place of meeting may be published or be sent by postal card, but no details of work to be done or business transacted shall be made public.

In order to settle the matter beyond a question or doubt, I have referred same to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence in the form of three questions which with the answers of the Committee are submitted herewith.

1. In a lodge notice, written or printed, sent under cover, sealed or unsealed, is it proper to state the character of the work to be done?

Answer.—May state whether work is to be done in first, seond or third degree, nothing more.

2. In a lodge notice, written or printed, sent under cover, whether sealed or unsealed, is it proper to give the name of the candidate or candidates who are to receive the degrees?

Answer.—No. It is not proper.

3. In a lodge notice, written or printed, sent under cover, sealed or unsealed, is it proper to give the *dramatis personae* of those who are to take part in the second section of the third degree, to-wit: John Jones, K.S.; Richard Roe, first R. or first tyrian; William Slow, first F.C.; Daniel Dow, W.F.M., or any part of the work?

Answer.—No. It is not proper.

All lodges in Illinois are hereby ordered to see to it that notices issued conform to the above answers of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. These are construed to apply to lodge notices appearing in the public press, bulletins or papers issued by lodges and to all accounts of lodge meetings intended for publication in newspapers, or sent out to members or others whether sealed or unsealed.

CLASS NIGHTS.

It has come to my attention that certain lodges in Illinois are setting apart nights which they term "special nights" for the purpose of having

the several degrees conferred by Masons in the uniform or dress of some particular society, trade, organization or department. The practice being one of very doubtful propriety, I have referred it to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

The question with the answer of the Committee here follows:

Is it proper and is it permissible for lodges of Ancient Craft Masons to appoint CERTAIN NIGHTS calling them SPECIAL NIGHTS for the purpose of conferring degrees in the lodge in the uniform or dress of different organizations or trades?

Answer.—No. *It is not proper* nor *is it permissible,* but upon the contrary it is highly improper and defeats the end for which the ritualistic ceremonies of Ancient Craft Masonry have been arranged and have been and are being taught by direction of the Grand Lodge.

In order to preserve our ceremonies from innovation it is essential and necessary that every officer and member should be thoroughly acquainted with them and that a firm determination should exist among the craft to permit no change.

There is, there can be no safety but in a rigid adherence to the ancient ceremonies of the fraternity which are fixed by the rules of the Institution.

Nothing should be introduced or permitted to be used in the conferring of the degrees that would distract the attention of the candidate from the symbolism and teaching intended to be impressed upon his mind in conferring the degrees of Masonry.

This ruling of the Committee on Jurisprudence is hereby declared to be in full force and operative from this date. All lodges are hereby ordered to govern themselves accordingly.

Masonic Clothing.

As nothing sufficiently definite can be found in our laws and regulations bearing upon the subject of Masonic clothing, the Committee have been asked for a ruling upon the question of proper dress for Masonic occasions, both for lodge meetings and public ceremonials. The question as submitted to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and their answer follows:

What constitutes masonic clothing?

The proper dress to be worn by the officers and various workers of the lodge when performing their duties as such is civilian dress of dark color, white gloves and aprons. Officers may wear blue velvet or silk collars with the jewels of their office suspended from and attached to them.

The master shall wear black hat while presiding, a silk hat preferred, and no other is really suitable.

Lodges will hereafter be governed by the provisions of the above ruling. The wearing of white gloves during lodge meetings is not man-

datory, they may be omitted for the sake of convenience but no lodge should appear in any public ceremony without them.

Installations.

I have been asked what is meant by the expression, "The Installation Ceremonies shall be held as soon after election as convenient." I have construed the words quoted to mean that the Installation must take place within thirty days following the date of the annual election of officers. Such lodges as have not already installed officers are hereby ordered to do so within ten days following the receipt of this order.

Receiving Petitions and Documents.

Receiving petitions of various kinds, also papers and documents which require action by the lodge is not taking them from the postoffice nor placing them in the hands of the Secretary. By receiving such papers is meant reading them to the lodge while opened on the third degree. Therefore all matters which require action at the stated meeting after they have been received must be read to the lodge while opened on the third degree and acted on at the next or some subsequent stated meeting.

It is hereby ordered that this letter of instruction be read in full at the first stated meeting following its receipt and Masters are hereby ordered to see that all its provisions are promptly complied with.

Fraternally yours,

Attest:
Isaac Cutter,
Grand Secretary.

Delmar D. Darrah,
Grand Master.

USE OF MASONIC EMBLEMS.

Bloomington, Ill., March 25, 1912.

To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of all Constituent Lodges in Illinois, Greeting:

Dear Brethren:—The following question was submitted to me:

Is a cigar band with the square and compasses and the letter "G" between the points of the compasses and the square a violation of Section 4, Article 32, Part Second, Grand Lodge By-Laws?

I referred the question to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and their answer is here presented:

As in Operative Masonry the Compasses are used for the admeasurement of the architect's plans and to enable him to give those just propor-

tions which will insure beauty as well as stability to his work; so in Speculative Masonry is this important implement symbolic of that even tenor of deportment, that true standard of rectitude which alone can bestow happiness here and felicity hereafter. Hence are the Compasses the most prominent emblem of virtue and only measure of a Mason's life and conduct.

As the Bible gives us light on our duties to God, and the square illustrates our duties to our neighbor and brother, so the compasses give us that additional light which is to instruct us in the duty we owe to ourselves, the great imperative duty of circumscribing our passions and keeping our desires within due bounds.

So universally has this symbol been recognized, even by the profane world, as the peculiar characteristic of Freemasonry, that it has recently been made in the United States the subject of legal decision.

A manufacturer having made, in 1873, an application to the Patent Office for permission to adopt the Square and Compasses as a trade-mark, the Commissioner of Patents refused the permission on the ground that the mark was a Masonic symbol.

If this emblem, said Hon. J. M. Thatcher, the Commissioner, were something other than precisely what it is, either less known, less significant, or fully and universally understood—all this might readily be admitted. But considering its peculiar character and relation to the public, an anomalous question is presented. There can be no doubt that this device, so commonly worn and employed by Masons has an established mystic significance, universally recognized as existing; whether comprehended by all or not, is not material to the issue.

In view of the magnitude and extent of the Masonic Organization, it is impossible to divest its symbols or at least this particular symbol—perhaps the best known of all—of its ordinary signification wherever displayed, either as an arbitrary character or otherwise. It will be universally understood, or misunderstood, as having a masonic significance; and therefore, as a trade-mark, must constantly work deception.

Emblems and symbols that teach such useful lessons and in a manner so impressive should not be treated in a light and trivial manner.

Yes, your committee is of the opinion that the use of these emblems and symbols for advertising a particular brand of make of cigars is in violation of Section 4, Article 32, Part Second, of the Grand Lodge By-Laws. Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence respectfully submit the foregoing report.

Signed by the Committee.

MONROE C. CRAWFORD,
C. F. HITCHCOCK,
W. B. WRIGHT,
C. E. ALLEN,
A. B. ASHLEY,
Committee.

Fraternally,

DELMAR D. DARRAH,
Grand Master.

Attest:

ISAAC CUTTER,
Grand Secretary.

REPORTS OF R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

FIRST DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 17, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—It affords me great pleasure to be able to report that all of the lodges in the First Masonic District are apparently in a flourishing condition. There seems to be a desire on the part of the officers of these lodges,—from the Worshipful Master down —to conform to all of the requirements, not only with reference to the ritualistic work, but also in connection with the routine affairs of the lodge, and particularly to a practical application of the great truths and teachings which have been promulgated by the fraternity.

This, as you know, has been the first year in which I have had the honor to serve as a District Deputy Grand Master, and a peculiar source of satisfaction has been the fact that the Worshipful Masters of the respective lodges under my jurisdiction have accorded to the office of District Deputy (in other words,—to your representative—), the deference and the courtesies to which the office is entitled. During the Masonic year there have been submitted to me for decision and for advice many questions, some of which have been rather perplexing. I believe they have all been satisfactorily answered, and not a single instance has come to my attention in which the advice given has been ignored. The officers of the various lodges have now come to understand that all questions of doubt are to be resolved, in the first instance, by the District Deputy, and that the Grand Master's time should not be taken away from his more important duties unless the emergency absolutely requires.

A departure, which was inaugurated this year, was the establishment of a district school of instruction under the jurisdiction of the District Deputies of Cook county. This school filled a long-felt want. It was successful beyond all expectation, and I have no doubt that it will become a permanent institution.

In conclusion, I wish to extend my congratulations upon your successful and enlightened administration, to wish you God-speed in your work, and to thank you most sincerely for the great honor conferred upon me.

With my kindest regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM WILHARTZ, *D.D.G.M. First District.*

SECOND DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, July 22, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—It is with great pleasure that I submit you this, my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Second District.

On October 21, 1911, acting as your Special Deputy, I constituted Justice Lodge No. 949, at West Chicago Masonic Temple, Chicago, and on October 27, 1911, I constituted Wilmette Lodge No. 931, at Wilmette, Illinois. Also on March 20, 1912, I instituted Cicero Lodge, U.D., at Cicero, Ill., of which proceedings due reports were made. All of the lodges in the District have been visited by me, inspections made of records, paraphernalia, work and financial conditions, the details of which were covered by reports heretofore made you.

All of the lodges in the District are enjoying prosperity, the doctrines of the fraternity are upheld, and peace, harmony and good fellowship prevail.

My official duties have been a pleasure and not burdensome, considering the general activity prevailing in the District, and I trust my assistance to you has been satisfactory.

I desire to thank you again for the many courtesies you have extended me and wish to congratulate you on your successful administration.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Fraternally yours,

HARRY W. HARVEY, *D.D.G.M. Second District.*

THIRD DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., July 23, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and M.W. Bro.:—In anticipation of the approaching session of the Grand Lodge, I am reminded that an official report is expected from the D.D.G.M. for the Third District, which report I am pleased to submit herewith, together with several suggestions of changes which, based on conditions as I have found them, would, in my judgment be to the advantage of the craft in general and this Grand Jurisdiction in particular.

The nine months that have elapsed since my appointment have been busy ones. During that time I have officially visited every lodge in the Third District and have forwarded to you official reports of same in detail. Most of my lodges extended to me a special invitation to visit them and received me officially and correctly, showing me many courtesies. All of them have shown respect to your official representative and have given him the best of attention in such remarks, requests and suggestions as he thought best to make to them.

I know of no serious discord in any of my lodges. There have been many problems to solve and questions to answer. In a few cases it has been necessary for me to bring the official authority with which you have clothed me, to compel certain changes and reforms but for the most part every suggestion has been promptly and cheerfully complied with.

I believe I can truthfully say that there is no lodge in the Third District using any short-form work, innovations, extraneous views, spectacular costumes or paraphernalia of any kind whatever, and that every one of them are doing standard work and keeping standard records and complying in every way as best they can with the laws of the Grand Lodge.

In the way of suggestions for the good of the craft, I have the following to offer for your consideration:

1st. I am thoroughly convinced that as nearly every lodge in the city of Chicago charges $75 or more for the degrees, that the Grand Lodge should amend Section 1, Article 17, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws making the minium fee in this city $75. A few lodges are charging $50 only; most of those whose fees are placed at this figure are new lodges, and almost without exception they are swamped with work, creating the necessity for great sacrifice on the part of their officers, which many a good man cannot afford, compelling him to drop out of line, and probably be succeeded by some brother whose time is of little value and whose ability is frequently very mediocre. It is trafficing in masonic degrees and is, even where there has been no personal solicitation or hustling for petitions, (which I am told is the case in many instances,) certainly a disgrace to the fraternity and at the same time a great injustice to those older lodges whose fees are $75, $100 or possibly more. who are of very strong masonic character, and stand true to their colors, many of which have not enough work to keep them fairly well occupied.

2. I am convinced that the custom of permitting new lodges to organize, selecting one of their number (who has never been regularly elected and installed as Master or Warden of a lodge) as their Master,

is not only a violation of the Ancient Charges but is a menace; as men, who because of their lack of masonic ability or perhaps because of some personal fault could not receive appointments in their own lodge, sometimes develop cases of "sore-head" and immediately start to hustle for a new lodge, hoping thereby to make themselves Masters in short-form and thereby receive the honors of the East by the short route; they get some Grand Lecturer to certify that they know the work and the job is "put over" and then the troubles with the Deputies commence.

To correct this I believe an amendment should be enacted to Section 1, Article 6, Part 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by striking out the words: "Provided, further, that this section shall not apply to the Master of a Lodge, U.D."

By doing this we will be saved the chagrin which is frequently felt and the shame which is occasionally forced upon us by new lodges which have been conceived in iniquity and which drag out an existence hustling for bargain counter candidates outside of the lodge and wrangling and discord within.

3. I am thoroughly convinced that definite action should be taken by the Grand Lodge regarding music and entertainments used in lodges. especially male quartette music. A condition has grown up in Chicago whereby many lodges have made it a practice to employ quartette music to entertain the brethren and these quartettes in their desire to gain professional prestige and increased engagements have proceeded to "beautify" the work. This applies, I think, more especially to the newer quartettes who are naturally desirous of establishing themselves. The result has been that all sorts of "stunts" have been introduced which are certainly out of place in a masonic lodge and are violations of the law as regards "Innnovations." Recently in talking with the manager of one of these quartettes, he stated that if the Grand Lodge would distinctly specifiy what the quartettes could and could not use, the quartettes would be all on exactly the same basis and would all enjoy increased engagements and appreciation and be saved much criticism which is now directed against them.

4. It seems to me that a permanent committee should be established whose special duty would be to procure, examine and correct the by-laws, petition and other official blanks of constituent lodges. This duty has been delegated to the Deputies by yourself. Many of us do not know enough of masonic law to hurt us, therefore no matter how conscientious we may be in attempting to carry out your orders in this regard, our efforts are bound to fall short of results which you no doubt expect, because "opinions vary" and "too many cooks spoil the broth." I would even go so far as to believe that no enacted by-laws or amendments

thereto of a constituent lodge would be binding or in force until the same had been submitted and approved in writing by such committee on laws and returned to the lodge bearing the signature of the full committee.

In conclusion I wish to thank you for the honor you have conferred on me when you appointed me your Deputy and assure you it has been a great pleasure and masonic benefit to serve you. Your administration of your high office will go down in history as one of the greatest, if not the greatest of them all, and I am pleased to have had a modest part in so glorious an achievement, and thank you accordingly.

Faithfully and fraternally,

H. A. Dever, *D.D.G.M. Third District.*

FIFTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, Ill., August 19, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—The near approach of the first of September, together with your circular letter of recent date on the subject, remind me that the time has arrived to render you my report as your representative in the Fifth District. I question whether out of the entire fifty in the state there has been one that has caused its deputy less trouble or you less concern than has the one over which I have had the honor of presiding during the past year. At the present writing I can think of nothing that has occurred to disturb that peace and harmony that is expected to prevail.

The intimate connection between the first seven districts of the state, embracing the lodges of Cook county, owing to the numerical division by which the districts are formed, makes it almost impossible for the deputy of any one district to call your attention to any matter that does not equally affect the other six. For that reason, the subject that I propose to make the basis of this report is not in any way confined to my own district but applies with equal force to all the others.

A portion of Sec. I, Art. 13, Part Two, Grand Lodge By Laws, reads: "Every petition shall be recommended in writing by three members of the lodge, etc." It is safe to say that the spirit of this law is seldom if ever complied with by the lodges of Chicago. The custom is almost universal for a member who brings in a petition to secure the other two signers from those who happen to be sitting near the secre-

tary's desk and frequently the secretary himself is one of them. The result is that these other two signers never previously heard of the petitioner and are therefore recommending a man whom they do not know. In this way the lodge is robbed of exactly one-third of the guarantee that the law provides it should have with every petition.

I am well aware of the difficulties in the way of enforcing this law but its evasion strikes at the very root of the fraternity. If the character of our petitioners is allowed to deteriorate the harm done is almost incurable. If the standard is once lowered the lowered standard is the judge of the future petitioners and leaves no hope for its ever being raised again. I am of the opinion that the Grand Master should insist on this provision of the law being strictly enforced by the Chicago lodges.

With sincere congratulations on the success of your first year's administration, and thanking you for the honor of having selected me as your representative in this district, I am,

Fraternally yours,

David D. King, *D.D.G.M. Fifth District.*

SIXTH DISTRICT.

Chicago, Ill., August 31, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—It is with pleasure that I submit to you ar account of my stewardship as your representative of this Masonic District.

I am glad to be able to report to you that the condition of Masonry in the Sixth District leaves little to be asked for and the lodges are working harmoniously and are in a very satisfactory and prosperous condition. I have visited all of the lodges in the district as in previous years at least once and many oftener, and have found very little to complain about. They are all in a most prosperous condition and nearly all are doing work of a very high standard. A detailed report of each lodge has been made to you in each case.

I have been treated with the utmost courtesy by all and those who wanted me least were the most enthusiastic and urgent in their request for me to return. When they found I was not there to criticise but to find out when and how I could do them some good, they became most enthusiastic and I had an easy path to tread.

I consider it of the utmost importance that the District Deputy should visit each lodge in his district frequently. I have received no reports of irregularities.

I have examined the books of each of the lodges and with the exception of a few slight errors I find them in good shape. I have made some suggestions to different secretaries which if heeded will be of great help to them.

There is, without any exception, an earnest effort made in the lodges of the district to attain perfection in the work.

The financial condition of the lodges is very good, the growth being healthy. The report for June, 1911, shows the total membership for the district to be 6,538; for June, 1912, a membership of 7,235, being a net gain of 697.

A feeling of good fellowship exists, being particularly fostered by the interchange of visits of the various lodges, having taken the place of class nights abolished by you.

I am pleased to say that the idea now more generally prevails and it has been my aim to encourage it that the primary object of a lodge is not just to confer degrees and pay bills but it is to encourage and promote a more fraternal and intimate acquaintance among its members.

The most important event in the district for the year was the joint district school held in Chicago. Every lodge in my district was represented at this school. The very thorough and complete course of instruction given and the impressive exemplification of the work has left a marked impression on the lodges, apparent in the excellent work they are doing in their earnest efforts now to reach perfection and should therefore be continued, if we cannot have a regularly authorized grand lodge school which I think Chicago should have and is entitled to.

On April 26, 1912, by your authority I instituted Washington Park Lodge, U.D. The brethren started off under very favorable conditions and I predict a bright future for this lodge. I have no doubt their work will be approved by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge at its next session and they be given a charter to begin work as a regular lodge. I am sure the character and enthusiasm of the brethren will stand the scrutiny of that all seeing eye and I am sure you will be proud of Washington Park Lodge.

I desire to express to you my appreciation of the honor of serving you as D.D.G.M. for the Sixth District and to extend to you my best wishes for the future.

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM H. BIED, *D.D.G.M. Sixth District.*

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

CHICAGO, ILL., August 23, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—Have visited all the lodges in Seventh District, and find them doing standard work, and complying with the law according to their light. I know you will be pleased to learn that in every case where correction was suggested by me in your name, it was promptly made.

No willful violations of the rules. Some mistakes, but taken all together you have no better intending brethren than those that make up the officers and members of the lodges in the Seventh District.

The school you made it possible for us to hold in Chicago last winter, made the work of District Deputy much easier and hope you will recommend its continuance. It should be made permanent.

One of the questions that must shortly be taken up by the Grand Lodge is the jurisdictional entanglements that are being brought about by the rapidly increasing number of lodges that are being formed in the county outside of the city limits. The territory of some of our older suburban lodges has been curtailed so often and from so many directions that if the process is continued much longer the time will come when the jurisdiction of the lodge will extend very little beyond the walls of the building in which it meets. Every new lodge cuts down the territory of several other lodges and frequently the promoters of the new lodge, in order to secure the consent of a certain neighboring lodge, finds it necessary to enter into a private agreement not to receive petitions from a certain section that belongs to it according to the Grand Lodge law on the subject. Later on, when officers who were not party to the arrangement come into power the agreement is broken and this leads to no end of trouble.

For several years there has been more or less talk as to the advisability of extending the concurrent jurisdiction in force at the present time throughout the city so that it would take in the entire county. While there are objections to such a move, there is no doubt that it would cure many of the present evils. The officers of the suburban lodges appear to be opposed to it because they think that if the local resident has the privilege of joining the big down-town lodge, it will seriously curtail the number of petitions his lodge will receive.

There may be a little something in this argument, but it will be largely offset by allowing the minimum fees to remain as at present, namely: Fifty dollars for the city, and Twenty-five dollars for the balance of the county. Many of the out-laying lodges pay less rent for a whole year, than some of the city lodges pay for a single month, and the fixed

expenses all the way through are equally light, so that there is no occasion for them charging the large fees necessary in some of the city lodges. With this difference in fee in their favor, it is believed that they will have more petitions under concurrent jurisdiction than they have ever had under present conditions.

Without taking up any more space with the details of this question, I am of the opinion that the Grand Lodge at the coming session, should take the preliminary steps necessary to bring about this change, and that the Grand Master should appoint a commission to thoroughly investigate the advisability of adopting the amendment at the succeeding session.

My appointment as your representative, gave me more pleasure than anything else could, and I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the great honor. I am positive that your acts as Grand Master have met with general approval, and I want to congratulate you on your splendid administration.

Fraternally yours,

E. C. TILLOTSON, *D.D.G.M. Seventh District.*

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

GRAYS LAKE, ILL., August 26, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your representative of the Eighth District, I am pleased to report as follows:

On November 3, 1911, acting as your proxy, I convened an Occasional Grand Lodge at Maple Park, Illinois, and constituted Maple Park Lodge No. 942 and installed the officers; while this was not a part of my duties as D.D.G.M. of the Eighth District, I assure you that it was an occasion which I thoroughly enjoyed and I desire to thank you for the confidence reposed in me in appointing me as your proxy.

On December 1, 1911, you appointed a commission, consisting of Bro. Theo. Hamer, of St. Marks Lodge No. 63, Bro. T. B. Rowlands, of Elgin Lodge No. 117, and myself to inquire into conditions relative to the formation of a new lodge at Algonquin. This commission convened at Algonquin on December 19, 1911, a full report of their findings being submitted to you on that date.

About August 1, 1912, you appointed a commission consisting of Bro. A. W. Gage, of Evans Lodge No. 524, Bro. H. H. Megran, of Harvard Lodge No. 309, and myself, to inquire into conditions relative to the formation of a new lodge at Lake Forest. This commission convened

in Chicago on August 14, 1912, report of said commission being mailed to you on that date.

One of the many pleasant experiences of the year was in conducting a two days' school of instruction, on April 12 and 13, 1912, at Woodstock, Illinois, for the benefit of Masons of the district. I was ably assisted in conducting this school by R.W. Bro. A. J. Winteringham. The attendance was not large, owing, I presume, partially to the fact that this was the first district school to be held in the district, and secondly, the time of the year. It is my opinion that a larger attendance would be secured if a school could be held during the winter. Nine of the fifteen lodges, comprising the district, were represented at this school, and I am firmly convinced that if the precedent established is followed each year great good will result.

I have personally visited all the lodges in the district, and in every case have met with the most friendly and courteous treatment. In going through the records of the lodges, I have found irregularities in several instances; in each case, however, I have found that these irregularities have crept in on account of the lack of a thorough understanding of the law, as applied to the keeping of records. In every instance, the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries have signified their willingness to correct such errors in the future.

I am of the opinion that the instructions sent out this year by the Grand Secretary will serve to materially increase the efficiency of all Secretaries.

In your letter of July 15, 1912, you requested me in making my annual report to suggest such measures as to me may appear conducive to the general good of the fraternity.

In this connection, will say there are so many lodges in our great state that it is, of course, impossible for the Grand Master to give to each the time and attention which it should have. This being the case, the D.D.G. Masters in the several districts necessarily become, or should become, a very important part of the Grand Lodge organization. In the first place they should be, and I believe in every instance are, men of standing in their respective communities, not only from a Masonic standpoint, but from a business and social standpoint as well.

Secondly, I am of the opinion that it should be made obligatory upon each D.D.G.M. to visit each lodge in his district at least once a year.

Thirdly, I believe that our laws should be so amended as to provide for the actual and necessary expenses of each D.D.G.M. in visiting the lodges of his district.

To receive the appointment as D.D.G.M. in any district in our Grand Jurisdiction, is an honor of which any Master Mason may well

feel proud, but it appears to me that in order to get the best results in the several districts, some plan, similar to the one I have outlined would be effective.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred on me and congratulating you on your successful administration, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. J. WIGHTMAN, *D.D.G.M. Eighth District.*

NINTH DISTRICT.

BELVIDERE, ILL., September 9, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—I am pleased to report that the interest among the brethren in this district remains unabated. There has been a healthy growth in the membership and zeal for good work and good works. A most pleasing matter to me has been the completion and dedication of a new temple for my home lodge, Belvidere Lodge No. 60. It was the crowning success of long years of effort, giving us a home of which we can well be proud. Many, in fact all, of our local brethren and many others, deserve personal mention and commendation for assistance but space will not permit. I would be remiss in my duty, however, did I not mention Bro. Willis S. Brown, Chairman of our Building Committee. He it was who had the genius to conceive, the zeal to promote and the ability to carry out the plans which made it possible for us to have a new home, and as has been well said, "Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war," so it can be said of Brother Brown, that he is one of the uncrowned heroes of Masonry. The dedication in April was conducted by R.W. Bro. Elmer E. Beach and R.W. Bro. Bates Iott, and was the crowning social and fraternal event of this section.

Just after the dedication of the temple, to which I had given much of my time during the erection thereof, my health failed and I was compelled to cancel many plans which I had for the year relative to the other lodges. I have, however, visited many of them and have kept in close touch with the workings thereof and can say they are in good condition in every way. I believe that the Grand Lodge By-Laws should require the Secretaries and Treasurers of constituent lodges to give an official bond. I have made a like recommendation in former years and still believe that it would not only sometimes be the means of saving some money, but more important still, it would sometimes save the good

name of Masonry. It was my pleasure to attend the school of instruction, held by the Board of Grand Examiners at Ottawa, and I found that the new board is the equal of the best. The work and the interest maintained was excellent and the lectures given on the symbolism of Masonry added greatly to the pleasure and the profit of the occasion.

Congratulating you on the great success achieved in your administration, I am, Fraternally yours,

JAMES M. HUFF, *D.D.G.M. Ninth District.*

TENTH DISTRICT.

SAVANNA, September 9, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I have heretofore sent you reports on several of the lodges in this district.

There have been some matters of which you have been informed that needed attention, and it is a pleasure to report at this time that what might have caused considerable trouble has been adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned.

It seems as if the brethren are dwelling in peace and harmony, and as lodges we are prosperous. In the case of two lodges in the district new structures are being erected for their use, which when finished will be owned by the lodge, being a credit to lodges as well as to the community in which they are being erected. These are in Stockton and Savanna.

Personally I am looking forward to the meeting of the Grand Lodge with a great deal of pleasure. We know that this has been a great year for the craft and we want to tell you so personally.

Fraternally yours,

J. L. BREARTON, *D.D.G.M. Tenth District.*

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

SYCAMORE, ILL., August 24, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—In submitting my report as your representative for the Eleventh District, I am pleased to inform you that peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

The brethren of this district have been most fraternal and cordial and have exhibited at all times a disposition to profit from a visit of the District Deputy.

I have visited a majority of the lodges in the district and in each case found them in good condition.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me, and wishing you a successful future, I am,

Yours fraternally,

A. E. HAMMERSCHMIDT, *D.D.G.M. Eleventh District.*

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

PLANO, ILL., September 9, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—On January 4, 1912, you appointed me D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth District to succeed R.W. Bro. John H. Griffiths, who had resigned.

My first official act was, as your proxy, to institute Glen Ellyn Lodge, U.D., located at Glen Ellyn, Ill., February 8, 1912. My second was to make two visits to Wheaton Lodge No. 269 on February 15 and 17 respectively as per my report to you at that time.

On March 25 and 26 we held the first district school of instruction ever held in the district, a full report of which was sent to R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers, Secretary of Board of Grand Examiners. R.W. Bro. E. E. Beach, who was in charge, proved himself "the right man in the right place." We admire him as a man and a Mason and as an instructor it would be hard to excell him.

On the 17th of April, I started at Sunbeam Lodge No. 428 to make an official visit to each of the twenty-one constituted lodges in the district and ended on the twenty-first of June at Elmherst Lodge No. 947, having visited every lodge in the district between these dates, and as I gave you detailed account of the condition of the lodges and my visit at the time of visitation, I will not repeat them in this report. I can truthfully say it was a great pleasure to me to make these visits for in every lodge I received a cordial and hearty welcome, befitting the dignity of my office, and my only regret is that I could not make these visits early in the winter. I am of the opinion that the time for the D.D.G.M.'s to make their first official visits is as soon after the new officers are installed as is practical.

I have found the lodges through the district, as a whole, in excellent condition. Where there is any exception it is usually found where the lodges has a Secretary who is not acquainted with Masonic usages and customs.

Some of the lodges were not provided with the proper instruments and paraphernalia, others did not keep their records in compliance with the Grand Lodge By-Laws, a very few did not have proper petitions and some Masters had never signed the minutes. When they were sighted to these irregularities all showed a willingness to conform to the requirements.

One thing I failed to do, that I believe would be of great value to the D.D.G.M.'s in the future and that is to indicate in the books and records that they were inspected to date of official visit.

I have refrained from making recommendations in some of my reports to you as to what would increase the efficiency of a lodge, because with only an evening's acquaintance with a lodge and its members I believe it takes a great deal of discretion to make such recommendations.

With one or two exceptions there has been but very little discord in the district, and at present, to the best of my knowledge, every lodge in the district is laboring in peace and harmony and all are trying to excell in teaching "the standard work."

I appreciate the honor you conferred upon me in appointing me District Deputy of the Twelfth District and sincerely hope our relations may continue as pleasant in the future as in the past. With my thanks, best wishes and kind regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

D. M. Baird, *D.D.G.M. Twelfth District.*

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

Sterling, Ill., September 10, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I beg to submit my report, in my official capacity as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirteenth Masonic District of Illinois, as follows:

INSTALLATIONS.

Sterling, Ill., December 15, 1911, Lodge No. 612.
Rock Falls, Ill., January 19, 1912, Lodge No. 936.

MASONIC DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

In the city of Sterling, Ill., on March 27, 28 and 29, I held a very successful and well attended school for instruction for the benefit of the Thirteenth Masonic District, a detailed report of which you have already received.

In the past Masonic year I have visited officially thirteen lodges, unofficially, two.

All the lodges which I have visited I found in a very good financial condition; but as far as the ritual and work was concerned, I found all, with the exception of three lodges, in a very bad state. Some of the lodges have not done any work conferring degrees for the past two years. Perhaps it is just as well that they did not have any degree work to do as the work they were doing was certainly a travesty on Masonry.

I would recommend that the Grand Lodge take some action and arrange some system of instruction in each and every district, not only for three days' instruction but for such time as necessary to give the different lodges thorough instruction, to the end that each and every lodge in the district may acquire enough knowledge of the ritual and work to enable them to confer the several degrees in a creditable manner.

From inquiry I find that the loss of interest in members throughout the district is caused by the farcical work which is done in their several lodges, and palmed off on the newly initiated as the standard work of Freemasonry. If, after the Grand Lodge has provided a way and means for attaining this instruction and the brethren of the different lodges do not see fit to avail themselves of the opportunities offered, and learn the work, I would recommend that their charters be suspended until such time as they could confer the several degrees in a creditable manner.

All the lodges which I have visited I was received in a very cordial manner by the Worshipful Master and other officers of the lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. WHEAT, *D.D.G.M. Thirteenth District.*

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

ATKINSON, ILL., September 6, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As another Masonic year is drawing to a close I take pleasure in submitting to you my annual report as your representative of the Fourteenth District, and am pleased to state that Masonry is in a prosperous condition, and that peace and harmony prevail.

It took the lodges of this district some time to realize that they were to each receive an official visit from the District Deputy Grand Master and as several of them met on the same night it took considerable corresponding before satisfactory dates could be arranged with all, but with the experience of this year I think it can be more easily adjusted in the future.

I think the form of the blanks you outlined for the District Deputy Grand Masters on their report of the lodges was one of the best things ever adopted in Masonry, and when the lodges fully realized its meaning and intent they heartily approved of and immediately proceeded to comply with it.

I have held several schools of instruction in the different lodges of the district and am well pleased with the interest taken and the progress made, but the crowning success of the year was the District School held in Rock Island, Ill., February 13, 14, 15, 1912, a full report of which has already been sent to the Secretary of the Board of Grand Examiners for their report.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, and congratulating you on your most excellent administration, I am,

Fraternally yours,

M. T. Booth, *D.D.G.M. Fourteenth District.*

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

Princeton, Ill., August 26, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I have visited each lodge in my district and a statistical report was mailed to your office.

We have in each town a fine body of men on our membership rolls and while they all take pride in wearing the emblem of Masonry, quite a number fail to share in the lodge work, as a rule they are a credit to their lodge in everything except attendance.

Secretaries should receive better pay for their work in the small lodges; this can be easily arranged for by making a needed change in the minimum fee to $35 and would remedy a serious weakness by interesting capable men to take up this important and very necessary part in the life of a lodge.

Ancient Craft Masonry is too cheap and suffers accordingly.

Apparently, to be successful in Masonry today all that we require of a man is to be letter perfect in his work, he need not measure up to

the standard in other things if he can master the ritual; if we cannot deny this, need it surprise us to find men willing to become letter perfect by questionable means? This accounts for the use of cypher rituals.

Unless the Grand Lodge can prevent the brethren from spending hundreds of dollars for these books, would it not be better to provide an official book of the work and apply the proceeds to charity?

Masters and Past Masters of the lodges in the district should have an organization and meet at some central point at least once each year for the purpose of exchanging ideas; this would bring about closer relations among the different lodges especially in the country where distance isolates.

The public school building of Magnolia, Ill., was destroyed by fire. Masonry stepped in to the breach! Magnolia Lodge No. 103 placed their two story building at the disposal of the school board, without charge, your Deputy was received among desks and other school paraphernalia; it was inspiring to find Masonry something more than mere ritual.

Lacon Lodge No. 61 added one more beautiful temple to the long list in this state, and the brethren of Lacon appreciate the fact that you honored them by laying the corner-stone and when the building was completed, you again favored them by dedicating the same; it is one of the finest lodge halls outside of Chicago.

Your plan of having a detailed report showing conditions existing in the lodges brought forth many compliments, especially, where ever conditions were satisfactory; this line of work could be made more effective if the Deputies would meet during Grand Lodge session and suggest their different plans of assisting weak lodges.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of St. Cecilia Lodge No. 865 for visiting our district again, this time at Lacon, Ill. We are indebted to them as teachers of ritual and fellowship.

R.W. Bro. M. Bates Iott, Past Grand Examiner, came with the St. Cecilia boys. We wish we could change his title past to present!

Finally, I wish to acknowledge my indebtedness to you for many favors and I hope that through life you may receive the same kindly treatment you extend to others.

Congratulating you on your successful administration,

Yours fraternally,

FRANCIS H. BRADLEY, *D.D.G.M. Fifteenth District.*

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOLIET, ILL., September 14, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting to you my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventeenth District, I am pleased to report Masonry in this District in an active and prosperous condition.

In all of my visits I have been received with a most cordial and fraternal greeting. What instructions I have given, or suggestions offered have apparently been kindly and thankfully received; and am pleased to report that in every instance I find the brethren striving toward a greater proficiency in the standard work.

The lodges in this district during the past year have enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. One thing which has been prevalent—and which I have at all times encouraged—has been the interchange of visits between lodges, and each conferring degrees for the other, which has in every instance been of a high standard.

In quitting the office of District Deputy I cannot refrain from again testifying to the fraternal courtesies at all times extended to me by both, the lodges and the individual members comprising the Seventeenth District, and confidently bespeak for my successor the same kindly treatment.

Congratulating you on your able, efficient and conservative management of affairs pertaining to your office and thanking you for the honors conferred, I am, with highest regards,

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM W. SMITH, *D.D.G.M. Seventeenth District.*

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

KANKAKEE, ILL., August 28, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as D.D.G.M. for the Eighteenth District:

On the evening of November 29, as your special deputy, I instituted Donovan Lodge, U.D., located at Donovan, Ill., report of which I made to you December 4. I found the brethren wide-awake and full of enthusiasm, which indicated a prosperous lodge. On Saturday, June 29, I attended a special meeting of this lodge, the M.M. degree being conferred on three candidates, the work being in charge of R.W.

Brothers Harvey and Clark of Chicago. Notwithstanding the extremely hot weather, a large number of Masons were present from surrounding towns. The brethren of Donovan lodge deserve great credit for their self-sacrifice and devotion in their efforts to make a success of their undertaking, and I desire to express my appreciation for the assistance rendered this lodge by R.W. Brothers Clark and Harvey.

On the evening of December 1, as your special deputy, I constituted Grant Park Lodge 928, and installed officers, report of which I made to you December 4.

In my endeavor to carry out your wishes, I have visited most of the lodges in this District during the past year, and I found all in prosperous condition, but in many cases in need of instruction, not only in the ritual, but also in routine business of the lodge. I was received cordially by all and made to feel that the officers and brethren throughout this district, are anxious to perfect themselves in the proper handling of lodge matters, and work in harmony with the Grand Master.

Allow me to express my unqualified approval of your live and progressive administration. Your plan of having D.D.G.M.'s visit each lodge at least once during the year, and the inspection of lodge paraphernalia and records, is going to prove of great help to the lodges throughout the jurisdiction and should be made a permanent feature. There has been nothing transpired during the past year, to mar the peace and harmony existing in this district. I wish to thank you for the honor conferred in appointing me your representative in this district, and wish you continued success throughout your administration.

Fraternally yours,

W. I. Holcomb, *D.D.G.M. Eighteenth District.*

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

Gibson City, Ill., September 9, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your representative I have visited each lodge in the Nineteenth Masonic District and am pleased to report an excellent condition existing throughout the district.

Nothing requiring official action has been presented to me; some irregularities were noted and in all cases I found the officers and brethren willing and anxious to make the necessary corrections.

Action on a suggestion made some months ago an amendment to Sec. 5, Art. 4, Pt. 2, Grand Lodge By-Laws would be welcomed by some

of the lodges in the district. It is a hardship to a country lodge to be compelled to hold their stated meeting on a hot night in a closed room with low ceiling; and during the busy farming season it is well nigh impossible to get a quorum. As shown by my reports, some of the lodges are forced to violate this section of the By-Laws.

Thanking you for the honor of representing you in this district, I am,

Fraternally yours,

W. A. Hoover, *D.D.G.M. Nineteenth District.*

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

Washburn, Ill., August 30, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In reporting the condition of lodges in the Twentieth District I am sorry to say that I have been unable to visit all of them but am still at it, and hope to have met with every lodge in the district before Grand Lodge meets.

Almost all the lodges are working right through the hot weather and prosperity and harmony prevail, although I have found a few lodges where a Grand Lecturer would do an immense amount of good in a very few days' work.

Everywhere I have gone I have been received with "open arms" and every visit has been a genuine pleasure to me, and I wish at this time to acknowledge the many kindnesses shown me by R.W. Bro. John C. Weis.

Thanking you for the honor conferred on me I remain, with kindest personal regards,

Fraternally yours,

Charles H. Ireland, *D.D.G.M. Twentieth District.*

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Galesburg, Ill., August 30, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—Herewith please find my annual report as your District Deputy for the Twenty-first District.

In accordance with your instructions, I visited twelve of the sixteen lodges in my district, a special report of which I have already forwarded

to you. I have tried to arrange to visit the other lodges but as yet have been unable to select a date agreeable to all concerned. I hope, however, to soon visit them.

In each instance I was cordially received and the suggestions made by me were kindly received and acted upon.

I have assisted in several gatherings of a Masonic nature during the year, among them being the District School of the Twenty-second District, held at Aledo in February last.

We had made partial arrangements for a District School in our district but circumstances arose that made it advisable to postpone it until another year at least.

I have also assisted in conducting several funerals and a Masonic trial in Stark county. I feel sure that your plan of having the District Deputy visit the lodges has done much for Masonry and will bring things up to a higher standard.

I thank you for the personal courtesies extended. Wishing you continued success in your work for the advancement of Masonry, I am,

Very fraternally,

C. T. Holmes, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-first District.*

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Aledo, Ill., August 27, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-second District.

My first official duty, acting as your proxy, was to constitute Joy Lodge No. 946. Report of same was made to you at that time. I have visited this lodge several times since and can assure you that no mistake was made in granting to these brethren a charter, as they are today one of the best working lodges in the district.

I have visited officially every lodge in my district, the reports of each were mailed to you. In each instance I was most cordially received and what instruction or suggestions I have given, apparently, have been thankfully received.

I have conducted several funerals and participated in a number of Masonic events in the district during the year. We held a District School at Aledo on February 13, 14 and 15. This school was in charge

of R.W. Bro. C. L. Gregory, member of the Board of Grand Examiners, and from the point of attendance and interest manifested, was one of the best schools we have ever held.

I held a three days' school at Stronghurst, during the week of February 20, 21 and 22, and I feel that my efforts were appreciated and were helpful, as we had a large attendance all the time and the brethren were always ready and took a great interest in the work.

As regards suggestions for the general good of the fraternity, there are a great many things that might be said and a great many of them have already been suggested; the one thing that I find in most lodges is the matter of interest and attendance at the meetings. Wherever I have found a lodge that their officers and workers are proficient in the work and where they encourage the membership in general to assist in the work, they have no trouble in having good attendance at all meetings; but where the work is done by the same members and no effort is made to interest newly made members and others to become workers, I find that these lodges complain in not being able to keep their membership active. Some lodges devote entirely too much attention to work and run their lodge on a strictly business basis where their only aim is to collect the fee from the candidate and do nothing socially for their membership. These lodges sometimes overlook the qualifications of the petitioner as the money consideration is of more importance to them.

In country lodges, such as are in my district, whenever they have more than one candidate in an evening, it takes so much time for work that the social features are entirely overlooked and the membership soon become tired and the attendance falls off. There are some lodges that do not use their best judgment in selecting their officers and some that should they follow out the teachings of Masonry and Masonic law, they would be holding Masonic trials quite often during the year. Instead of informing a brother of his faults and trying to assist him, they allow him to commit a great many offenses and go unpunished. This causes the class of timber we want in our lodges to shun us and the membership in general to become careless.

We have a few weak lodges in this district and it has been my policy to insist on the stronger neighboring lodges to assist and encourage them in their work, instead of trying to outdo them and make light of their work. I think that a great good can be done along this line.

Practically all the lodges in the district have been active the past year and I want to congratulate you on your plan of having each lodge visited, their records, paraphernalia and place of meeting inspected. There has been a great good done by this system and I am satisfied

that whoever is District Deputy of this district next year will not have the trouble I have had in getting lodges to set dates for these visits; but on the other hand, will be ready to receive him with the glad hand as they will realize that these visits are being made for their own good and not for any pleasure that the Deputy is seeking for.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended to me during the past year, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

D. E. Farr, *D.D.G.M. Twenty-second District.*

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Canton, Ill., August 28, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I am pleased to submit herewith my report as District Deputy for the Twenty-third District.

On November 22, 1911, acting as your special representative, I constituted Table Grove Lodge No. 939, due report of which was made to you shortly after.

On March 26, 27 and 28, 1912, a District Masonic School of Instruction for the Twenty-third District was held at Canton.

This school was in charge of R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum, Chairman Board Grand Examiners. While the attendance was not as large as hoped for, yet much good was done and an interest aroused which will bring good results in the future.

I have visited officially all the lodges in this district. While in general Masonic affairs are quiet, yet harmony prevails and the best of fraternal feeling exists.

My suggestion for the good of Masonry in this district, is, to hold, during the coming winter, a number of local schools throughout the district, locating them so that it will be convenient for a number of lodges to attend each. This will reach more of the brethren of the district and give the workers a chance to train directly under an instructor, which always tends to arouse interest.

Thanking you for the honor conferred and wishing you abundant success, am,

Yours fraternally,

L. W. Morton, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-third District.*

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

AUGUSTA, ILL., September 3, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—During the past year I have officially visited sixteen out of the nineteen lodges in my district, and have forwarded a report of each one to you. A large percent of the lodges have increased their membership.

On November 14, acting under your instruction, I constituted Lamoine Lodge No. 935, located at Brooklyn, Illinois, a report of which I made to you. On February 27, 28 and 29, we held a District School of Instruction at Carthage, R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum in charge. This school was largely attended and was of great benefit to the brethren.

Your plan of having District Schools of Instruction and of the District Deputies visiting the lodges will result in great good to the craft.

Fraternally yours,

E. M. CRAIN, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-fourth District.*

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

DELAVAN, ILL., September 6, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your representative in the Twenty-fifth District, it is my pleasure to report that Masonry in this district is in a prosperous condition, the past year showing a substantial increase in membership, and a general interest in things Masonic, with good prospects for continued prosperity during the coming year.

During the past year I have visited officially every lodge in the district at least once, and have made such other visits of a social nature as circumstances have permitted.

The system of "Official Inspection" and report on same, adopted during the present year, also the "Suggestions for Minutes" sent out for the guidance of Secretaries, have been very favorably received by the lodges of the district, and are believed to be a move in the right direction, and if faithfully followed will prove a benefit to all concerned. They have already resulted in improved methods and in securing greater uniformity in the work of lodge officers in this district, but the work is just begun, and the best results for permanent good can be secured only by following it up in a systematic manner. The lodges of this

district have provided liberally for the expense of these "Official Inspections" during the past year, but it is believed that if the good work is to go on that the Grand Lodge should make some provision to meet this expense in the future.

On February 13, 14 and 15, 1912, our third District School of Instruction was held at Lincoln, Logan county, under the direction of R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum, Grand Examiner. For various reasons the attendance at this school was not up to the standard of former years, but those present were well repaid for the time spent with Brother Hannum, and the good influence of the school has been recognized by the lodges represented.

But one official call has been made upon me during the past year to adjust differences between lodges, this in a matter of jurisdiction between Elkhart Lodge No. 903 and Logan Lodge No. 210. A full report of this case has been made to you, and while at this time the matter is still unsettled, hopes are entertained that a satisfactory adjustment may soon be suggested.

Thanking you for many courtesies extended, and wishing you continued success, I am,

Fraternally yours,

L. W. Lawton, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-fifth District.*

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

McLean, Ill., September 12, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill

Dear Brother Darrah:—I feel that I can add but little to your present knowledge of the affairs of this, your own district.

Acting on your suggestion, I made a thorough examination of the by-laws of the several lodges, making such suggestions as were needed, and trust all the by-laws are now in harmony with the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

It is the opinion of your Deputy that the discord resulting from the complex relationship existing between our fraternity and the Order of the Eastern Star could be eliminated if the ladies of the Eastern Star were allowed to act upon such matters, uninfluenced by Masons who are members of the Eastern Star. Unless more attention is paid to the fourth Cardinal Virtue by Masons who are members of the Star, the two orders will surely drift apart.

I am pleased to mention that some of the weaker lodges are enjoying a very healthy growth. This is more gratifying to me than the prosperity which the stronger lodges are also enjoying.

Our fifth annual District School was held on January 16, 17 and 18. The interest shown was very satisfactory and the attendance equaled that of the state school held the week previous. The expense of this school was borne by the lodges of the district, and a balance is now on deposit, subject to my order. Hasn't the District School demonstrated its worth to such an extent as to deserve recognition and support from the Grand Lodge?

In conclusion, accept congratulations from me and from the brethren of your home district, by whom you are universally loved and admired, for the able and fearless manner in which you have conducted the affairs of Grand Master.

Fraternally,

H. M. PALMER, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-sixth District.*

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

DANVILLE, ILL., September 9, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As another Masonic year draws to a close, I am reminded that it is my duty to render to you an account of the Twenty-seventh Dstrict during the year.

Immediately upon receipt of your letter of instructions to the District Deputy Grand Masters, I communicated with each lodge in my district, and began as soon as possible the visitation of each lodge.

During my visits to each and every lodge, I have endeavored to fulfill your instructions, and to give what information I could, and to explain in detail to the lodges what was expected of them.

I have found some irregularities, nothing, however, of a serious nature, and, in each instance it was through ignorance of the law and not with a willful intent to disobey the law.

In every lodge that I have offered suggestions they have been cheerfully complied with, as the lodges in my district fully appreciate your untiring efforts to better their condition.

I have found in several of the lodges the combination receiving instrument for the Senior Deacon, and I am pleased to report that all such has been destroyed and replaced by the standard instrument.

During the year I have answered one official call, report of same having been made to you at that time.

I have been in close touch with all of the Masters in the district, and have on various occasions been consulted by them on questions of law, and am pleased to report that, as a whole, the lodges of the Twenty-seventh District are in a healthy and prosperous condition.

I most sincerely regret that it was impossible for me to make all of my visits before July first, but the continuous rains and bad roads were wholly responsible.

The brethren of the Twenty-seventh District are very grateful to you, and your efficient Board of Grand Examiners, for the successful school held in Danville early in February of this year. The result of much good has come from this school, and we thank you most kindly.

I am pleased to report that the brethren of Free Will Lodge, located at Oakwood, are erecting a new hall, which will be ready to dedicate about December 1.

I observed in my visitations to the various lodges, that there is very little, if anything, done in a social way for the members, and I would suggest if possible, that some plan be devised wherein it shall be the duty of a lodge to arrange some social affairs during the year that their members may mingle together and learn to know each other better.

Again assuring you that the brethren of the Twenty-seventh District appreciate beyond words of expression, your efforts in their behalf, and personally thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, and wishing you health, peace and prosperity, I am,

Most sincerely and fraternally yours,

C. L. Sandusky, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-seventh District.*

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Tolono, Ill., August 29, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—During the past year I have visited all the lodges of the Twenty-eighth District, and have been received courteously and fraternally by the brethren.

I find that some of the smaller lodges are very weak in the ritual, but are in good shape financially, and having a fair amount of work. A number were short on paraphernalia but have ordered.

I would recommend that the system of inspection be continued, as I think it a good thing, both for the lodges and the District Deputy.

It will encourage the lodges to have their property, records and work up to standard and give the Deputy opportunity to become better acquainted with the officers and members of lodges.

I assisted in dedicating the new Temple of Ogden Lodge No. 754 on March 15; this is a great credit to the members of that lodge.

Western Star Lodge No. 240 is building a fine temple, the corner-stone of which will be laid September 4.

By your direction, I went to Cerro Gordo and there collected four cipher rituals (which were given to you) and ordered that the brother selling them be placed on trial. This was done and he was reprimanded. I understand this will be appealed to the Grand Lodge.

Thanking you for many courtesies, I am,

Fraternally,

WILSON P. JONES, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-eighth District.*

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

DECATUR, ILL., July 26, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Bro.:—According to custom, I take pleasure in reporting to you on the Twenty-ninth District for the year 1912. I am sending herewith a summary report or digest of my thirteen official reports on the thirteen lodges of this district. I presume this summary report is too long for publication in the Grand Lodge Proceedings. The Twenty-ninth District, as usual, is experiencing a healthy growth. We probably have more Grand Lecturers (14) than other districts in the state. Our District School was an unqualified success from every standpoint, and it is the consensus of opinion among the brethren that the District School should by all means become an annual affair. The lodges in this district have improved at least 25 per cent, on the average, during the past year, in the matter of equipment and efficiency, as a direct result of the M.W.G.M.'s "Campaign of Masonic Education and Lodge Improvement." A District Deputy can do much more effective work if he is properly authorized, by instruction in detail, from the M.W.G.M. Every lodge in my district has shown a keen desire and willingness to comply with every suggestion or recommendation of the D.D.G.M., as authorized by the Grand Master. When we find that

some lodges have been without some of the most elementary and most essential articles of lodge equipment, and have only just now provided themselves with those articles, we can readily see the necessity for frequent official visitation, and we can easily recognize the immediate salutary effect of the "Campaign."

My principal recommendation is that some provision should be made for more frequent visitation and inspection of lodges by the D.D.G.M., under full authority from the M.W.G.M.

With hearty congratulations on your administration and thanking you sincerely for courtesies extended, I remain,

Fraternally and faithfully yours,

ALBERT T. SUMMERS, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-ninth District.*

SUMMARY REPORT.

A DIGEST OF THIRTEEN OFFICIAL REPORTS OF D.D.G.M.
NO. OF DISTRICT—TWENTY-NINTH.

Date of this report: June 1, 1912.
Counties composing District: Macon and DeWitt.
Number of Lodges in District: 13.
Total membership in District, July 1, 1911: 2,037.
Total membership in District, July 1, 1910: 1,974.
Net increase for year ending July 1, 1911: 63.
Membership residing in Illinois, July 1, 1911: 1,782.
Membership residing in Illinois, July 1, 1910: 1,730.
Number of lodges increasing in membership: 6.
Number of lodges decreasing in membership: 3.
Number of lodges stationery in membership: 4.
Smallest Lodge—Amon Lodge No. 261, DeWitt, Ill., members: 43.
Largest Lodge—Macon No. 8, Decatur, Ill., members: 627.
Lodges having two "Stated" per month: 1.
Lodges having one "Stated" per month: 12.
Total number of lodge meetings held in year: 431.
Average attendance largest lodge: 30.
Average attendance smallest lodge: 12.
Number of meetings, in year, largest lodge: 89.
Number of meetings, in year, smallest lodge: 13.
Lodges owning their own halls: 11.
Lodges that are tenants: 2.
Lodges free of debt: 9.
Lodges having outstanding indebtedness: 4.
Lodge halls that are "safe and secure": 13.

Secretaries provided with proper books and blanks for discharge of their duties: 12.

Secretaries not so provided: 1.

Lodge Records kept in accordance with requirements of Grand Lodge By-Laws: 5.

Lodge Records not so kept: 8.

Lodges recording visitors in minutes, only: 3.

Lodges registering visitors in minutes and register, both: 6.

Lodges registering visitors in Tyler's room, only: 2.

Lodges registering visitors by card and minutes both: 2.

Lodges recording members' attendance in minutes: 11.

Lodges not recording members' attendance in minutes: 2.

Lodges recording members' attendance by register only: 2.

Minutes showing character of reports of investigating committees: 2.

Minutes showing receipts of fees and dues: 10.

Minutes not showing receipts of fees and dues: 3.

Minutes showing time of opening and closing: 6.

Minutes not showing time of opening and closing: 7.

Minutes signed by W.M. and Sec., both: 2.

Minutes not signed by W.M. and Sec., both: 11.

Minutes recording instances of lodges being opened with less than seven Master Masons present: 0.

Lodges using proper blank petitions: 4.

Lodges not using proper blank petitions: 9.

Lodges having by-laws in harmony with Grand Lodge by-laws: 9.

Lodges not having by-laws in harmony with Grand Lodge by-laws: 4.

Lodges having proper roll for members to sign upon raising or admission: 12.

Lodges not having same: 1.

Lodges' work witnessed by D.D.G.M. within last year: 5.

Lodges doing work that conforms to work adopted by Grand Lodge and taught at schools of instructions: 9.

Lodges instructed by Grand Lodge within last year: 4.

Lodges never instructed by Grand Lodge: 3.

Lodges holding meetings for practice and instruction: 8.

Lodges equipped with proper paraphernalia to do work in a creditable manner: 6.

Lodges not so equipped: 7.

Lodges with proper candidate's garment: 8.

Lodges without proper candidate's garment: 5.

Lodges with no candidate's garment: 1.

Lodges with proper setting maul: 11.

Lodges without proper setting maul: 2.

Lodges with no setting maul: 1.
Lodges with three lesser lights: 13.
Lodges with proper rods for Deacons: 12.
Lodges with improper rods for Deacons: 1.
Lodges with proper rods for Stewards: 12.
Lodges with improper rods for Stewards: 1.
Lodges with proper receiving instrument: 8.
Lodges with improper receiving instrument: 5.
Lodges with Middle Chamber pillars: 10.
Lodges without Middle Chamber pillars: 3.
Lodges with proper balls in ballot box: 11.
Lodges without proper balls in ballot box: 2.
Lodges using stereopticon: 6.
Lodges not using stereopticon, having proper charts: 7.
Lodges conducting club-rooms: 0.
Lodges collecting dues promptly: 6.
Lodges not collecting dues promptly: 7.
Lodges auditing books of Treasurer and Secretary: 8.
Lodges not auditing books of Treasurer and Secretary: 5.
Lodges observing St. John's Day: 1.
Lodges not so observing: 12.
Lodges doing things in a social way for members: 6.
Lodges not so doing: 7.

Grand Lodge Officers and Appointees in District: Deputy Grand Secretary, Committee on Correspondence, Trustee Masonic Home, Representatives of Grand Lodges of Holland, Missouri and Utah—all of Macon Lodge No. 8. Also D.D.G.M. and Representative of Grand Lodge of Nevada—both of Ionic Lodge No. 312.

Grand Lecturers in District: 14.

Remarks and Recommendations.

All lodges should be visited oftener by D.D.G.M. who should be ready and competent, with words of encouragement, advice and instruction at all times.

D.D.G.M. should be paid for his services and expenses. Most lodges are able and willing to do this.

Innumerable and substantial improvements in lodge equipment have been accomplished in this district during the past year, and lodges have made every reasonable effort to comply with suggestions and recommendations of the D.D.G.M.

The equipment and efficiency of the eleven smaller lodges of this district have been improved at least 25 per cent, on the average, during

the past year, as a direct result of the M.W.G.M.'s aggressive Campaign of "Masonic Instruction and Lodge Improvement."

One lodge in this district had never had a candidate's garment or preparation suit of any kind. Another had never had any Columns for the West and South. Another had never had a setting maul of any kind. Another had no dais or steps. Another had held over one-hundred meetings of which there were no minutes recorded whatever, (this occurred about six years ago).

Most lodges are greatly in need of instruction in Masonic work and procedure. While they all have the true Masonic spirit and brotherly feeling, yet their work is uninteresting, crude, imperfect and without inspiration.

It is as true as day follows the night that if a lodge has good equipment, and does good work, it will grow and prosper, and be a greater and better instrument for good in the community in which it is located.

My principal recommendation is that provision should be made for more frequent visitation and inspection of lodges by the D.D.G.M., under full authority from the M.W.G.M.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT T. SUMMERS, *D.D.G.M., Twenty-ninth District.*

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., September 12, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As your representative of the Thirtieth District, I am pleased to report that so far as I am able to ascertain the lodges are in a prosperous and harmonious condition.

On the 26th, 27th and 28th of March, 1912, we held a District School of Instruction, under the auspices of the Board of Control of the four Springfield lodges, with R.W. Bro. A.H. Scrogin in charge. At this school seventeen of the nineteen lodges were represented, and those in attendance apparently derived material benefit therefrom.

On August 16, 1912, I had the honor of being appointed on a commission with R.W. Brother Summers, of Decatur, and W. Brother McDaniel, of Buffalo, to visit Warrensburg, Ill., to investigate into the advisability of issuing a dispensation for a new lodge at that place. The service was performed, and due report was accordingly made.

Congratulating you upon the success of your administration, and thanking you for the honors conferred upon me, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

HARRY L. SMITH, *D.D.G.M., Thirtieth District.*

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

BEARDSTOWN, ILL., August 30, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—As it has been but two months since the mantle of District Deputy passed from the shoulders of R.W. Bro. Truman P. Carter onto the less capable shoulders of the undersigned, I have but little to report.

I have (in this short space of time) been called upon but once officially, that was at the occasional session of the Grand Lodge which assembled at Virginia, Ill., for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new high school building, and over which you presided in a very creditable manner. The occasion offered many of the brethren in the Thirty-first Masonic District to meet their Grand Master, and many of them embraced the opportunity.

I have visited a few of the lodges, and will try and reach a few more before the Grand Lodge years closes. I find no discord, and but little to disturb the harmony of the craft in this district.

I look forward to a prosperous year for Masonry in this part of the state, and earnestly hope to see at least two District Schools of Instruction held in this district during the coming winter; thus affording every Mason in the district an opportunity to attend one or more of these very important gatherings of the craft. I feel that the workers in the lodges need the ritualistic instruction, and the members need an occasional opportunity to meet and become acquainted with their brethren.

I feel keenly the responsibility attending the duties of District Deputy, and assure you of my high appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me.

Fraternally yours,

H. F. SMITH, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-first District.*

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

BARRY, ILL., August 15, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother:—The year now drawing to a close has been one of activity and pleasure to the Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-second District. I feel that I now have a clearer conception and more accurate knowledge of the conditions that prevail among the lodges of the district than ever before. The report blank sent out by the M.W. Grand Master have served a good purpose. First impressions were that they simply added a vast amount of needless extra work upon the District Deputy, but the more I reflected on the subject the more I become convinced of the advisability and wisdom of the course adopted. The present Grand Master, no doubt, now has a more thorough knowledge of the conditions of the constituent lodges than any previous Grand Master, under the old system, could have had.

Referring to the lodges of the Thirty-second District, they are in their usual favorable condition. Some of them—notably Pittsfield, Rockport and Kinderhook—are probably showing more signs of activity than the others and have added quite a number of new members, but nearly all of them are moving along in the even tenor of their way, with a slow but steady increase in membership. While it has been a quiet year with the lodges generally, they are in good condition as a rule and "brotherly love, relief and truth" is in evidence everywhere. Very few complaints have come to me during the year and in most cases the matters have been smoothed with little effort. One of our bodies—Rockport—is arranging for a new hall, which they hope to erect in the early future.

Acting on your suggestion, I arranged for a three days' School of Instruction last winter. It was held at Pittsfield, February 29, and March 1 and 2, under direction of Bro. C. P. Ross of Jacksonville, and was a pronounced success. Bro. Emmett Howard, of Quincy, was also present part of the time and aided in the instruction. Nearly all of the lodges of the district and several outside lodges were represented at the school. There is no question but much good was accomplished.

A local school was also held in February last by Kendrick Lodge No. 430, at Timewell, Ill., and it is reported to have been a very successful one.

In response to your request to District Deputies to "suggest such measures as to us may appear conducive to the general good of the fraternity," I am led to the conclusion that it is a far-reaching subject, especially from the standpoint of country lodges. As country life dif-

fers from city life, so do the conditions of country lodges differ from city lodges. There can be small comparison either in the make up of these lodges or the environments which surround them. With the city lodge the membership is larger and more compact; the lodges easy of access; there are larger and better financial resources to draw upon, and social features are more readily accomplished. Exactly the opposite prevails with the country lodges. As a rule they have neither large membership nor financial strength, but are sustained almost solely by the zeal and devotion of the membership. It has for years been a source of concern as to what means could be adopted to increase the interest and enthusiasm of country lodges, and the question is yet unsolved. Personally, I am a firm believer in the efficacy of the social side of lodge affairs, and I note with pleasure that with several lodges of my district social features, such as entertainments, socials, suppers, etc., have become annual events and are eagerly looked forward to by the members and their ladies as the years come and go. It is an example other lodges could with profit emulate.

I also believe in short terms for Worshipful Masters, say two or not to exceed three years. In nearly every lodge there are several members who would be pleased to be honored with the office and would take an interest in promoting the cause, but who are denied the honor in order to perpetuate the old Masters. It is no wonder that these brethren, thus ignored, lose interest in lodge affairs. There are various matters that creep into lodges and create discord, but in my experience nothing creates so much trouble as that which arises over rejected candidates, and until the brethren disabuse their minds of the personal side of this question and cast their ballots with a thought single to the good of Masonry, so long we may expect this troublesome feature to remain with us.

I regret very much that I am not able to enlighten you to much extent on the subject. It is certainly food for thought and should receive more consideration than Masons generally are wont to give it.

In conclusion, I desire to congratulate the M.W. Grand Master on the success of his first year's administration and on the many beneficial reforms he has inaugurated. May he continue the good work.

Fraternally yours,

W. W. Watson, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-second District.*

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

QUINCY, ILL., August 12, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting my annual report, I have but little to record out of the ordinary. All lodges have been visited at least once, while some have been visited several times, according to need and convenience.

In the main, the lodges are doing excellent work with a keen interest in it, which was shown at our District School in March, when fifteen out of the sixteen lodges were represented. There seems to be but little discord with the average attendance. In this connection, I cannot speak too highly as to the utility of the official reports on each lodge visited. Their value does not stop at the information given those who should possess such information, but goes far beyond this in leading those in authority in the various lodges, to reflect seriously as to means of betterment. In the average attendance, for instance, running as it does here from 10 to 20 per cent of membership in city lodges, and from 20 to 30 per cent in the country lodges, brings one back to the old question of what we are doing besides grinding out Master Masons. Even the District Deputy can be aided by them, as however painstaking he may have been previously in acquiring needed information, it brings home to him more clearly than ever before, the vast field for improvement. So strongly have I felt this, that a few weeks ago I called a meeting of the officers of the lodges of this district for the 9th inst., not only to broaden the view of all as to their duty to the whole, but also to give and accept suggestions as to future benefit.

Owing to bad roads, the lodges in the extreme eastern part of the county were unable to send delegations, but despite this, eleven out of the sixteen lodges were represented, with a total attendance of 42—some lodges sending almost the entire line of officers. It was a day meeting, entirely devoid of "work," but the interest was so keen, that every one was reluctant to leave, and many matters were covered and ideas given, and while the actual benefits can only be determined later, yet it left us convinced that meetings of this character, would bring many benefits, and that this one should only be the first of others.

Your administration has been so broad, that I know it is no idle thought that prompts you to call particular attention to your desire to have suggestions relating to the general good. If I was to advocate anything, it would be something along these lines—i. e., something that would eventually at least, bring us a little nearer to the spirit of Freemasonry. I am an advocate of our School of Instruction—always, of our Official School and lately of our District Schools, which have been

and are producing a great deal of benefit. They have reached a high state of perfection, unsurpassed by no jurisdiction as far as I am able to learn. We glory in this, and rightly too, but are we not carrying it so far, that when the pendulum does swing the other way, it will be carried further than we wish it to go. The new work by the Board of Grand Examiners, as started by you, is right in line with these views, but it hardly touches the outer surface, and it seems to me as if more time could be found for equally as important matters. From my own experience, I know that officers of lodges are hungry for information beyond that of the ritual, and that in a District School, intense interest can be created and maintained for some time over a discussion of the physical qualifications of a candidate alone, as viewed not only from ritual and ancient charges, but other points as well. The moral qualifications of a candidate can be made equally as interesting. Real tangible matters of Masonic law and usage will not suffer through discussion. While it is possible that I would not advocate going into what might be considered obtruse questions, like those of recognition, etc., yet even these can be rendered simple by a student and thinker, with a little preparation. Why cannot some of these matters be taken up in our official schools, or at least decidedly encouraged in our District Schools? From the very nature of some of these matters, care would have to be taken not to make some of them official, preserving particularly the rights of the lodges, but this could easily be accomplished, as the matter of suggestion would do great good, while in any cases where it developed that orders were necessary, they could be given where the rights of the Grand Lodge were affected. It seems to be as though one hour each day of our schools, or if desired to be covered at one session, a full half day of each school, could be used to such an advantage, as to lead all to look with a broader view toward the craft at large. Pride of lodge is desirable—pride of an individual brother and correct work is all right, but when carried to extremes, they are all narrowing and it is getting to be a far reach from our ritual to those courtesies which makes Masonry what it should be.

In starting instruction of this character, we can not only guard our portals better, but as it will lead the officers to think for themselves, their view of the whole fraternity will be broadened and their spirit of toleration and charity will be greater for those who are of us, and eventually they will think more and more of those little courtesies, like visitations of the sick, interest in the welfare of each, etc., which gets down to the essence of Freemasonry—costing nothing, but meaning much.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

EMMETT HOWARD, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-third District.*

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WINCHESTER, ILL., August 27, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In submitting my report of the Thirty-fourth District I am pleased to say that so far as I can learn no dissension has arisen in the lodges of the district during the year except the one instance about which I wrote you last fall, and that matters has adjusted itself.

My official action for the year has been limited to visiting each of the lodges and making report thereon to you.

Outside of my own lodge I have visited one of the lodges four times and three others twice.

The work has been pleasant and profitable to me, and I trust may have resulted in some good to the lodges.

Nearly all of the lodges do the work in a fairly creditable manner, and about half of them, while by no means perfect, do it in substantially correct form.

In my judgment it would be conducive to the general good of the fraternity, in this section of the state at least, if the brethren would study the Blue Book and familiarize themselves with the laws of the institution. I find that much discussion and some little hard feeling could be avoided if the laws were thoroughly understood and enforced; but the one thing, I believe, that would promote keener interest and increase attendance at lodge meetings is punctuality, especially on the part of lodge officers.

I have in mind one lodge I visited, after giving a week's notice of the intended visit, where it was almost ten o'clock before the Master appeared and opened his lodge. This is an extreme case but there is more or less tardiness in all of the lodges and the brethren, especially the older ones, give as an excuse for non-attendance, that the lodge is not opened on time and they cannot get home as early as they would like.

I believe this situation should be corrected.

In conclusion I desire to again express my appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me, and express the hope that I have, in some small degree, carried out your wishes.

Sincerely and fraternally,

R. M. RIGGS, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-fourth District.*

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

CARLINVILLE, ILL., August 23, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my report as Deputy for the Thirty-fifth District.

On February 26, I sent a letter to each lodge in the district calling attention to the requirements of the Grand Lodge regarding paraphernalia and records, and in nearly every case a committee was appointed to procure such articles as they did not have.

I believe that every lodge needed something. The principal reason for not having a complete outfit was from not knowing just what was official. Some of the Secretaries were not keeping the minutes exactly correct but in every instance the proper corrections were made as soon as understood.

On March 20 and 21 a District School of Instruction was held in Carlinville.

Representatives of eight lodges in the district were present, in spite of the fact that a severe sleet storm began the first morning, interrupting train service almost entirely.

A report of this school was sent to the Secretary of the Grand Examiners at the time.

Several brethren had questions for discussion so that the entire time was occupied and much interest manifested; no time being used on actual candidates. The District School reaches the local lodges in a way that nothing else can do and if continued will, undoubtedly, be productive of much good.

In my opinion, in addition to teaching the ritual, a uniform system of instruction on law, keeping records, conducting business and the relation of Masons towards the fraternity and each other would increase interest and efficiency.

An examination of the by-laws showed mistakes in every copy. Most of these were corrected by amendment, but two lodges adopted entirely new by-laws.

There has been no difference of any consequence among the members of any lodge.

Only one lodge has any outstanding debt and this was contracted by having to erect a proper lodge room, they now owning a two story building. I have received several letters concerning methods of procedure, but these were all easily answered by a reference to the Grand Lodge By-Laws.

Fraternally yours,

E. R. TURNBULL, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-fifth District.*

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

HILLSBORO, ILL., September 6, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit to you my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Thirty-sixth Masonic District.

It has been my pleasure to visit every lodge in the district once and some of them a number of times, and with one or two exceptions, I find a fraternal spirit existing.

Nearly all of the lodges made some growth, some of them making the greatest gain in their history; all told a net gain of fifty-three in the district.

Schools of Instruction were held three days in Greenville, two in Donnellson and three in Hillsboro, which resulted in increased interest and proficiency in the ritual and laws of the fraternity. To me my visits to the different lodges are very unsatisfactory in this, that we do not have nor give the time to the visit which we ought. We go by invitation and the lodge officers think they must do us honor by putting on a sublime degree, inviting neighboring lodges and for a final course give the usual banquet. We get there in time to see the lodge opened and the degree conferred, by courtesy, by visiting brethren and of course, being D.D.G.M. are urged to confer the first section, be third Tyrian because some one has requested it so to be, and upon further urgent request give the historical lecture and both charges and then go ahead, brother, and close the lodge. All very good—but! how much in all this has the D.D.G.M. found out about the condition and work of this particular lodge?

Yet we go on and "lie like a gentleman" and report to the Grand Master that we have visited the lodge and find that they are capable and proficient in the work and their condition such as to need no recommendations from us.

My suggestion remedying this would be that the D.D.G.M. should spend a day in the town where the lodge is situated in addition to his evening's visit with the lodge, and thus have time to carefully inspect the records and various books of the lodge and get acquainted with such brethren as he could and in that way learn of the real existing conditions.

For this he should be paid a reasonable per diem, hotel and railroad expenses for one visit to each lodge annually by the Grand Lodge. If a lodge requires further visits of official character said lodge should pay a like per diem, etc. This expense should not be paid to the D.D.G.M. because he needs the money but on the principle that the laborer is worthy of his hire.

I have been most cordially and courteously received in every lodge, and thank the brethren for their cordiality.

The lodge at Coffeen lost their books and records by fire, but saved their charter, jewels, and all paraphernalia, so they were little disturbed in their good work.

I feel that Masonry in this district is making a good, substantial growth.

I congratulate you on your successful administration, thank you for honors and courtesies, and extend sincere wishes for your future official career.

Sincerely and fraternally,

ROBERT E. GIFFORD, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-sixth District.*

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL., August 24, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit a report of my acts and doings as District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-seventh District.

I have visited all the lodges of my district except three. Circumstances over which I have had no control have prevented me from visiting these at the time of making this report, but I shall be able to reach them before the coming session of the Grand Lodge.

While Masonry in this district has made no rapid growth in membership you will find that there has been a substantial gain.

In "Operative Masonry" the Thirty-seventh District is keeping abreast of the times. Jackson Lodge No. 53 has completed a beautiful and commodious temple. I had the pleasure of being present and assisting in the dedication of the same.

Findlay Lodge No. 831 has also completed a splendid and well arranged hall to take the place of the one destroyed by fire last year.

Pana Lodge No. 266 has purchased a choice building lot and will soon erect a temple that will be in keeping with the thrift and enterprise of the brethren.

Kedron Lodge No. 340 has also purchased a new site and are now planning to build for themselves a new home.

I had the pleasure of holding a School of Instruction for Blueville Lodge No. 647 last March. This lodge has a splendid set of young offi-

cers who are interested in Masonry and are becoming very proficient in the ritualistic work.

I have observed that where proficiency is found in a lodge that it is in a prosperous condition. I, therefore, believe that if some means could be adopted by which Schools of Instruction could be brought within the reach of our weaker lodges a greater growth and prosperity would be witnessed among them.

Peace and harmony prevail in this district. There has not been a single discord brought to my attention that has had a tendency to subvert the peace and good order of society.

In conclusion, I desire to congratulate you on your successful administration and to thank you for the honor of representing you in this district.

Fraternally yours,

A. M. Bloxam, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-seventh District.*

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Mattoon, Ill., August 15, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I herewith submit my report for the Thirty-eighth Masonic District. At the time of my appointment, February 29, there had been but two of the eighteen lodges in this district visited by the D.D.G.M. Upon receiving by commission I proceeded to visit the remaining sixteen lodges which I found in good financial condition, and with few exceptions peace and harmony prevails among the members. Upon my suggestion several of the lodges bought some much needed new parapharnelia which they are using with good effect in their lodge.

If I was to make any recommendations to the Grand Lodge, it would be for the continuation of official visits by the D.D.G.M. to their lodges and that the Grand Lodge provide some means whereby their actual expenses at least were paid.

Congratulating you on the success of your administration and thanking you for favors shown me, I am,

Fraternally yours,

Geo. N. Todd, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-eighth District.*

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

MARTINSVILLE, ILL., August 23, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

My Dear Brother:—As District Deputy Grand Master of the Thirty-ninth District I herewith submit my report:

I believe all of the lodges in my district are in fairly good condition and that harmony prevails throughout the district.

Three Schools of Instruction have been held in the district; viz.: A District School at Paris, under the auspices of Prairie Lodge No. 77 and Paris Lodge No. 268, with R.W. Bro. J. M. Hannum, Chairman of the Board of Grand Examiners, in charge. He was ably assisted by R.W. Bros. John A. Wesch, John N. Fairchild, J. I. Bryden and James Porter, Grand Lecturers, and other well informed brethren. That the school was a complete success goes without saying.

Casey Lodge No. 442 held a three day School at Casey, Ill., with R.W. Bros. James Porter and J. I. Bryden, Grand Lecturers, in charge. Toledo Lodge No. 834 also held a three day School at Toledo, with R.W. Bro. W. P. Jones, Grand Lecturer, in charge.

All of these Schools have shown good results. I was present at the Paris and Casey Schools but ill health prevented my attending the Toledo School, but I learn from some of the brethren who were in attendance, that the school was a success. The expenses of these schools were paid by the local lodges.

I am sorry to say that by reason of ill health I was unable to visit all the lodges in my district officially; but otherwise I have been in close touch with most of them. Some lodges did not at first seem to understand the purpose of these visits, but when they learned that the Deputy was not there to criticise, but to assist them in any way he could, they then became interested, and through the questions asked and answered, and the remarks of Deputy, on the lines of your Instruction to Deputies, the visit would result in a very pleasant business and social meeting. I believe the official visits accomplish much good and that every Deputy should visit each of his lodges at least once a year, and that the Grand Lodge ought, in some way, provide for the Deputy to receive his actual necessary expenses while making these official visits.

Through the visits I have made, and correspondence, I have kept myself in fairly close touch with nearly every lodge in the district. Many questions have been asked and answered (none, however, of very great import), and the answers so far as I have been able to learn, have in nearly every instance been satisfactory to the inquirers.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you for the honors conferred and the many favors shown me, which I fully appreciate, and to congratulate you upon your very successful administration.

With my best wishes for your future, I am most respectfully and

Fraternally yours,

H. Gasaway, *D.D.G.M., Thirty-ninth District.*

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

Olney, Ill., August 27, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—During the past year, it has been my privilege to visit all the lodges in my district. I found them all in a healthy condition, and most of them having all the work they could conveniently do. Flat Rock Lodge No. 348 has had a phenomenal growth. Our District School of Instruction was held at Robinson; Robinson Lodge No. 250 did everything possible to make our school a success, and the verdict of all in attendance was that it was a success in every particular. I am indebted to R.W. Brethren Martin, Ennis, Faught, Foreman, Fitzgerrell and Rea, who assisted me in said school. Our District Meeting was held at Flat Rock, May 2, and was largely attended. The object of our District Meetings is to get as many of the lodges as possible to meet together and have a social visit. We generally have plenty of candidates, and let all who will assist in the work.

I think that the official inspection, and District School of Instruction are what the lodges have long needed, and will do them more good than anything I can conceive.

Thanking you for the honor you conferred upon, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

W. H. Rupe, *D.D.G.M., Fortieth District.*

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Altamont, Ill., August 22, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Most Worshipful Brother:—Realizing that the time is nearing a close when I should have my annual report of the Forty-first Masonic District before you, I will endeavor to submit the same now.

The past year has been very satisfactory from a Masonic standpoint. The lodges constituting this Masonic District are for the most part in a healthy condition.

While I have not been called upon to make an official visit by any of the lodges, I have under your direction officially visited every lodge in the district, made a careful inspection of them and reported the conditions to you just as I found them.

You have no doubt observed from going over the reports previously sent you that in most every case the lodges have in various ways been in violation of Masonic laws, but I think the facts in each case would warrant a statement from me that any infraction of the law was wholly due to lack of proper light and not to impure motives.

While at those meetings I consumed as much of their time as I considered prudent in instructing them along the line that I thought would meet with your approval. From what I have learned since of those meetings I am forced to believe that the instruction given was well taken, and the result of much good.

On the 17th of February, I proceeded to Winterrowd, under your direction, and as your special proxy, and instituted Mays Lodge No. 664, and mailed you a detailed accounting of my service while there.

Thanking you personally for the many favors you have shown me, and in behalf of the district for the valuable service you have rendered for the good of Masonry during your splendid administration, I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. O. Faught, *D.D.G.M., Forty-first District.*

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

Jeffersonville, Ill., August 24, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Bro.:—I am pleased to report to you that I have visited every lodge in the Forty-second District and find them working in peace and harmony.

In all lodges I have been cordially received. Officers and members all show a willingness to comply with the law, but like all Masons they are busy with their various callings and rather than take the time to investigate law or usuage, they either pattern after some one else or follow their own inclinations in the matter; hence things are done that should not be. For these reasons it seems to me that there should be

some plan adopted whereby every lodge could be visited by some one in authority, every year or at least every two years, who could give such instruction as would be necessary.

Acting as your proxy, I had the pleasure of constituting R. F. Casey Lodge No. 948 on the evening of November 23, 1911, a full report of which was mailed to you at the time.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, and extending congratulations upon the able and successful manner in which you have discharged the duties of the exalted office you now hold, I am,

Fraternally yours,

C. N. Hambleton, *D.D.G.M., Forty-second District.*

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

Alton, Ill., August 28, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—In making this, my annual report to you, I want to emphasize the fact, which I have brought out in my official reports on the various lodges, that a closer relationship between the constituent lodges and the Grand Lodge through the District Deputy will do more than anything else to increase the usefulness and efficiency of the lodges.

I have found that the work done by the lodges is close to standard, but many of them are very much in need of instruction regarding law, usages, customs, etc.

While the ritual should not be neglected, it is not all there is in Masonry, and more attention should be paid to the social and fraternal part of our institution. The lodges should be visited more frequently by the District Deputy—he should be easy to reach—and his lodges should be encouraged to call on him at all times for instruction and advice.

In most cases lodges have paid my expenses when on an official visit, and a little education along those lines without any change in the present law would probably result in all, or nearly all of them, paying the expenses of the District Deputy when visiting them officially or otherwise.

I have kept in close touch with all my lodges, both by personal visits and by correspondence, and have sent you an official report on each lodge in my district, giving the conditions just as I have found them.

You know the troubles in Granite City Lodge No. 877, which came to a head when you were obliged to visit them November 25, 1911, and placed their affair in my hands. On December 9th, I presided in Granite City Lodge as your special proxy, at which time they held their annual election, proper report of which was made to you. Since that time they have conducted their affairs in a satisfactory manner, and they are now working harmoniously. The discord which existed at the time of your visit has entirely disappeared.

Thanking you for the confidence you have reposed in me in appointing me your representative in this district, and trusting that I may, in some small measure, have lived up to your expectation, I am,

Sincerely and fraternally,

L. Caywood, *D.D.G.M., Forty-third District.*

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

East St. Louis, Ill., August 25, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and M.W. Brother:—Herewith submit my annual report as D.D.G.M. of the Forty-fourth District.

Have visited every lodge in my district and while they are not all busy with work, yet harmony and peace prevails, and the members seem to be interested in their meetings. At every visit I was received with the honor and respect due to my office and the officers and members showed by their manner and words that they were pleased with such visit. All my suggestions were cheerfully accepted and I believe I can truthfully say that all the lodges are now properly equipped for the transaction of business and the conferring of degrees.

These visits were very pleasant to me and I believe they have been of some benefit to the lodges. Am of the opinion that if the D.D.G.M. could visit his lodges, not only once, but twice or more each year; such visits would result in a uniformity in the manner of conducting the business in all the lodges and in keeping them from making serious mistakes.

On May 6, 7 and 8 a District School was held at East St. Louis, under the direction of R.W. Bro. H. T. Burnap, and while the attendance was not as large as was desired yet there was nothing lacking in interest.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me and wishing you continued success, I am,

Fraternally,

I. H. Todd, *D.D.G.M., Forty-fourth District.*

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

EWING, ILL., July 29, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Herewith report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-fifth Masonic District.

I have visited all of the lodges in my district, and have made detailed reports thereon which are already in your hands, and which contain more information than I can impart at this time.

Excepting the cases with which you are already acquainted, I found the lodges in a healthy and flourishing condition.

Your wisdom in ordering these official visits and detailed reports cannot be questioned, and I feel sure that great improvements and great good will result throughout the entire state. In every instance the brethren received me with the utmost courtesy, and appeared to accept your suggestions in the friendliest manner.

On the fifth, sixth and seventh of March, I held a District School of Instruction at Benton, and was most ably assisted by Right Worshipful Brethren T. S. Browning, S. C. D. Rea, C. H. Thompson and Anthony Doherty. The attendance was good and the interest intense. In my opinion, the value and importance of the District Schools cannot be over-estimated, and I would suggest that it be made mandatory that a school be held in each district throughout the entire state.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for my appointment and for the many personal courtesies you have extended to me.

Fraternally yours,

D. G. FITZGERRELL, *D.D.G.M. Forty-fifth District.*

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

BURNT PRAIRIE, ILL., August 26, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Forty-sixth Masonic Distict. I have, by your request, made an official visit to all the lodges in my district (a report of each visit was made to you immediately after the visit), and so far as I am advised, peace and harmony prevail throughout the district.

On March 25, 26 and 27 we held our first District School of Instruction at Grayville, R.W. Bro. Chas. H. Martin, Past Chairman Board

of Grand Examiners, in charge, assisted by Bros. W. H. Rupe, C. N. Hambleton and myself, Grand Lecturers. Owing to bad roads and high water the attendance was smaller than expected; 10 lodges were represented and the school was full of interest from beginning to end.

I think that it would be for the good of Masonry if the Grand Lodge would legislate in some way to require each lodge to make the necessary preparation to do their work according to the standard of Illinois as taught by the Board of Grand Examiners. Also that would make it obligatory on each Deputy to visit every lodge in his district at least once a year.

In all my visits, whether to confer degrees or otherwise I have been received with the greatest courtesy.

Thanking you for the honor conferred upon me, and the many courtesies shown me, I am,

Fraternally yours,

J. R. Ennis, *D.D.G.M., Forty-sixth District.*

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

New Haven, Ill., September 2, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—Another annual communication or meeting of our Most Worshipful Grand Lodge is approaching, and in accordance with Grand Lodge By-Laws I herewith submit to you my report as your representative in the Forty-seventh District.

I am pleased to report that peace and harmony prevails throughout the district and the lodges generally have had a healthy growth.

During the year I have visited every lodge in the district and have been cordially received, and I feel that my visits and instruction given has resulted in much good to the lodges.

Most of the lodges that did not have proper paraphernalia have purchased same since my visit.

Aside from my official visits, I have attended several social functions and helped to devour their banquets.

The crowning event of the year was the District School held at Harrisburg Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 26, 27 and 28. This school was conducted by R.W. Bro. J. E. Jeffers, Secretary of the Board of Grand Examiners, and it was the unanimous verdict of all

present that as an instructor or teacher Brother Jeffers stands second to none.

At this school all the lodges, save four, in the district were liberally represented, and I believe all but possibly one, contributed to the financial support of the school.

The attendance at this school was good from the first session until the close and the interest was as good as it was possible to make it.

I would recommend that the visitations by the District Deputies be kept up and that a District School be held in each district in the state every year, for certain it is that the District School is of far more value to the average Mason than the State School; however, both have their place and every Mason who desires to know the work should attend at least one of each.

I would further recommend that some legislation be enacted to provide for the expense of the District Deputy in visiting the lodges and holding these schools.

Congratulating you on your successful administration of the affairs of the craft during the past year, and hoping the year to come may be even more pleasant to you, and thanking you for the honor of being your representative in this district, I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,

I. A. Foster, *D.D.G.M., Forty-seventh District.*

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

Johnston City, Ill., August 20, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—I take pleasure in submitting to you herewith my first annual report as your representative of the Forty-eighth District. I have visited each lodge in the district, met all the Masters, each Secretary but one, many of the other officers and quite a number of the brethren. I find the several lodges, generally, in a prosperous and harmonious condition; an instance of some slight friction in one or two lodges, but am sure it does not amount to anything serious. I have witnessed work in most of the lodges and find the brethren, generally, doing the work very close to the standard as made by the Board of Grand Examiners.

The gain the past year has not been as heavy as some in the past, but I find the standard for material is high and this is as it should be.

In visiting the lodges I have managed to attend on regular meetings, with two exceptions, when I asked them to call special meetings for me. I consider these visitations will be of material benefit to the lodges and officers and if continued, will bring them all to a higher plane than at present.

I wish to express to you my appreciation of the honor you have conferred upon me, and congratulate you on your very successful administration; assuring you that I hold myself in readiness to assist you whenever and wherever I can be of service, and with kindest personal regards, I remain,

Fraternally yours,

M. OZMENT, *D.D.G.M., Forty-eighth District.*

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

CAIRO, ILL., August 19, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Brother Darrah:—As District Deputy for the Forty-ninth District, I have, in conformity to your orders, visited each lodge in this district, reporting to you conditions as I found them on the blanks provided for that purpose.

There can be no doubt as to the wisdom of the course pursued by you to ascertain the status of the lodges, especially in this district; the only error being that such a course was not adopted long ago.

It seems impossible that so little knowledge of Masonic law and of the standard work could exist, when so much has been done by the Grand Lodge in its efforts to impart this knowledge to the craft in general.

I sincerely hope that this feature of official visitations and inspections of the lodges will be provided for by the Grand Lodge to make it a permanent feature of each District Deputy's work, for it can not result in any but lasting benefit to the craft in general. I also trust that at the same time, some way will be provided by which the Deputies will, at least, be reimbursed for their necessary expense in making these visits.

As your proxy, I instituted Stone Arch Lodge, U.D., at Cypress, Illinois, Monday, February 26. While this lodge starts off with barely enough to procure a dispensation, the true essence of Masonry is embodied in its membership, who will strive for quality instead of quantity: and I predict a lodge there, which will be an uplift to the community.

Thanking you for the courtesies received at your hands, and trusting that it may please the Great Architect of the Universe to keep you in health and happiness, I am,

Fraternally yours,

CHARLES H. THOMPSON, *D.D.G.M., Forty-ninth District.*

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

METROPOLIS, ILL., August 21, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—Herewith please find annual report for the Fiftieth Masonic District.

Each lodge in the district has been visited by the District Deputy Grand Master, and a complete report of the condition of each lodge has been made to the Grand Master.

The conception of Masonry among the brethren in most of the lodges is good, but there is room for growth and improvement, as it is not all it should be.

The three principal enemies of Masonry in the Fiftieth District are (1) carlessness and indifference; (2) the devouring spirit of commercialism, which absorbs a man's time like a sponge does water and stands as a hindrance between Masons and their lodges or Masonic duties; and (3) petty differences or quarrels between Masons which, when investigated, amount to naught, the grievance usually being too insignificant to be observed by a Mason. A gross infraction of Masonic principles can be more easily remedied than the three above named obstacles.

As a remedy would suggest thorough instruction in Masonic principles, especially upon the newly made Mason. If one Mason in each lodge felt the need and responsibility of such instruction, in a few years the officers and members of the lodge would be Masons of higher ideals and imbued with the spirit of living right one toward another.

The Grand Master has been kept in full knowledge with the actions of the lodges in this district, and a substantial improvement has been made in more than one lodge, under the influence of his directing hand.

Thanking you for the courtesies extended during the year, and wishing you peace, health and plenty in the days to come, I am,

Fraternally yours,

E. J. COWLING, *D.D.G.M., Fiftieth District.*

GERMAN SPEAKING LODGES.

CHICAGO, ILL., July 24, 1912.

Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I have the honor of submitting the following report as D.D.G.M. for German Speaking Lodges.

Of the nine lodges comprising the district, every one has been officially visited, either by myself, or my predecessor in office, R.W. Bro. F. von W. Wysow. All of the lodges were found to be in exceptionally good financial standing and conservatively and carefully managing their private and Masonic affairs.

The recently re-translated ritual has aroused the profoundest interest. Its study and the standardizing of all work, are being earnestly and incessantly pursued at numerous schools of instruction.

These schools, which were held conjointly at first, also the absolute uniformity of the work and the appointment of a supervisor from their own ranks, have brought about a rejuvenation of the lodges and will do much toward uniting the brethren in a common tie of friendship, a condition that has, heretofore, been more or less superficial, owing to the former diversity in the details of the work, and because of the deplorable lack of interest usually shown them by the accredited representatives of the Grand Lodge.

The coming year promises an increase of these activities, as the "new" work has been taken up principally by those of the officers, who are reasonably certain of being elected Masters. This means that, with the next election of officers, the old work, with all its deviations, will be a thing of the past.

In adopting this new order of things, these lodges have been obliged to go to a considerable expense in time and money, but they did it without flinching. It must be said, that they are going through a very trying period, and a good word of cheer, from the many thousands of their English speaking brethren, would go far in speeding them on their way. They will show their appreciation and thankfulness for all, that has so recently been done for them, by remaining, as of old, the most humble and loyal supporters of our noble and glorious institution.

It may be quite appropriate, to add a few facts concerning these German Speaking Lodges, for the information of the craft.

No doubt, it will surprise many to learn, that the oldest one of them was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, with the special dispensation to use the German language at its meetings and in conferring the degrees, so far back as 1855; that three of the lodges have celebrated their fiftieth anniversary, with a fourth not far off, and, that the youngest of them is slightly more than twenty-five years old.

In the work, as originally practiced by the founders, were retained many beautiful and truly impressive details of foreign origin. Some of these peculiarities were reverently retained by practically all lodges, up to a very recent date, because the several translations made of the Illinois work, in the course of more recent years, met with disfavor, owing to their apparent inaptitude. The work has now, however, been thoroughly revised, and nothing but the true standard work will henceforth be seen in our German Lodges.

Their growth has been rather slow, because of the painstaking care exercised by them, in the selection of their material. They have been noted principally for their marked sociability and their unbounded hospitality, but, very little has come to be generally known of their extended charities, the helpful hand, that was ever held out to needy brethren, widows, orphans and the poor, deeds that were duly reported to the Grand Lodge, but to no one else. The German Lodges had a Board of Relief, which aided Masons of all nationalities, long before the present General Board was organized.

After thus extoling their active, Masonic life, it pleases me greatly, to be able to say, that all of these duties were performed by them in the most unassuming manner. They did not seek notoriety, or even popularity, neither did they ever strive for direct representation in the Grand Lodge, though it may be admitted, that the thought of the fairness and the possibility of its attainment, has been entertained for many years. But now, where they have so kindly been given this representation, without their own solicitation, they are keenly alive to the great honor, that has been conferred upon them. They have been and will continue, to be worthy of the confidence reposed in them.

The following is a list of the nine lodges, grouped according to age, showing their location and also their membership, as found on the day of visitation:

Germania Lodge, No. 182, Chicago, Ill. 362 members
Accordia Lodge, No. 277, Chicago, Ill. 189 members
Schiller Lodge, No. 335, Peoria, Ill. 139 members
Mithra Lodge, No. 410, Chicago, Ill. 166 members
Lessing Lodge, No. 557, Chicago, Ill. 228 members
Mozart Lodge, No. 656, Bloomington, Ill. 92 members
Herder Lodge, No. 669, Chicago, Ill. 278 members
Waldeck Lodge, No. 674, Chicago, Ill. 283 members
Constantia Lodge, No. 783, Chicago, Ill. 298 members

Total membership 2,035

Fraternally submitted,

William Arens, *D.D.G.M., German Speaking Lodges.*

REPORTS OF BOARD OF GRAND EXAMINERS

Arcola, Ill., July 15, 1912.

Brother Delmar D. Darrah, M.W. Grand Master, Bloomington, Illinois.

Dear Brother:—Agreeable to the custom and duty of the Secretary of the Board of Grand Examiners I hereby submit a report of the doings of the Board for the year past.

On October 12th, 1911, at 8:00 p. m., the Board met in the Sherman Hotel, Chicago, and on due consideration recommended the following Right Worshipful Brethren for renewals of their commissions as Grand Lecturers.

Past Grand Examiners.

A. B. Ashley, C. F. Tenney, James John, H. S. Hurd, J. R. Ennis, H. T. Burnap, H. A. Snell, C. H. Martin, S. S. Borden, A. H. Scrogin, M. B. Iott, Isaac Cutter, Emmerson Clark, A. W. West, Chas. S. DeHart, R. F. Morrow, L. C. Johnson.

Grand Lecturers.

C. E. Allen, H. S. Hurd, D. E. Bruffett, I. H. Todd, C. E. Grove, J. M. Willard, J. E. Wheat, S. M. Shoeman, James McCredie, W. H. Peak, C. M. Hambleton, G. A. Lackens, A. O. Novander, J. B. Roach, Louis Pickett, Anthony Dohorty, Chas. T. Holmes, Chas. Ross, Archibald Birse, W. H. Robson, H. W. Harvey, F. H. Moorehous, John H. Griffiths, A. Jampolis, W. A. Dixon, E. W. Peterson, Albert Davis, Albert Roulliar, N. M. Mesnard, J. C. Weis, Adam Schmidt, H. E. Vanloon, W. C. Stilson, C. J. Wightman, W. H. Bied, Emmett Howard, W. E. Anderson, D. W. Starr, Nimrod Mace, R. G. Bright, N. B. Carson, David Richards, L. J. Frahm, G. E. Carlson, A. T. Summers, Andrew McNally, W. P. Jones, W. H. Rupe, W. W. Roberts, A. W. Cain, Hiram Vanderbilt, D. D. King, M. T. Booth, E. T. Osgood, C. L. Montgomery, J. S. Edmonston, F. H. Blose, William Fitch, William Grube, Samuel Bradford, L. E. Rockwood, W. A. Hoover, L. B. Dyer, G. N. Todd, W. G. Houghton, F. O. Lorton, R. D. Mills, F. G. Trenary, W. E. Edwards, Z. S. Saylor, H. M. Palmer, W. B. Moore, W. D. Price, H. A. Dever, W. E. Marble, Theodore Christianson, J. M. Huff, H. H. Milnor, H. O. Folrath, H. M. Robinson, C. H. Thompson, Amos Ball, O. H. Woodworth, R. M. Riggs, Otto Brail, F. F. Collins, J. F. Boyle, J. W. Johnson, J. E. Glathart, D. C. Hibbott, B. S. Blaine, W. N. Ewing, T. B. Strauss, B. I. Pumpelly, George Edwards, Almon Stansberry, H. C.

Bush, F. H. Bradley, L. A. Brinkman, A. P. Williams, T. G. Kerwin, Elmer Tregay, R. B. Prendergast, F. M. Cruickshank, G. W. Flood, S. S. Pollock, J. A. Wesch, J. I. Brydon, Benjamin Bing, J. M. Foreman, I. J. McDowell, Oscar Formhals, W. E. Speckman, L. A. Kaiser, W. H. Bernard, T. E. Quincey, C A. Stephenson, H. D. Jackson, W. R. Goodheart, E. C. Tillottson, H. M. Rachtitz, D. S. Davidson, A. A. Bauer, C. G. Stovall, J. N. Fairchild, C. A. Luse, William Scales, Hyman Silverman, C. L. Tanner, Jas. Porter, S. C. D. Rea, T. S. Browning, A. M. Bloxam, F. W. Froelich, T. C. Hambleton, H. W. Crabb, J. Weatherson, C. W. Kessler, H. A. Flock, E. R. Turnbull, R. C. Clark, E. G. Burger, C. O. Fought, Chas. Crowell, Addison Hickox, D. S. Mellinger, H. W. Modlin, R. C. Peck, Maxwell Levy, Silas Watts, A. J. Winteringham, S. E. Kain, D. E. Farr, E. J. Tye, C. J. Shaw, D. M. Wylie, H. A. Craig, S. B. Harvey, H. D. Hamper.

ORIGINAL COMMISSIONS.

On October 13, 1911, Brethren Hannum and Jeffers, of the Board, examined the following brethren for original commissions as Grand Lecturers: Chas. D. Chase, W. S. Craig, D. G. Fitzgerrell, T. W. Nixon. Being found well qualified for the position they were recommended to the Grand Master and duly commissioned.

On April 1, 1912, Brethren Jeffers, Wood and Gregory, of the Board, examined the following brethren for original commissions, W. L. Allen, N. O. Johnson, H. S. Wiley, William Tinsley, F. R. Smedley, A. O. Poff, and on the 2nd, V. B. Clevenger, R. C. Cantellou, B. D. Harley, S. D. Hinman, S. H. Manchee and Edgar Zimmerman.

On April 1, 1912, Brethren Hannum and Beach, of the Board, examined C. L. Davis, O. J. Davis, Wainwright Davis, I. A. Foster and S. M. Middleton.

On June 3, 1912, Brethren Hannum, Wood and Gregory, of the Board, examined Brethren W. H. Beckman, Henry Friedman, A. F. Gooch, C. G. Taylor and Louis Steinbar. All the above brethren being found duly qualified, were recommended to the Grand Master and by him commissioned as Grand Lecturers.

On August 5, 1912, Brethren Wood and Jeffers, of the Board, examined Brethren G. Haven Stevens, Chas. W. Cofer and Henry P. Blose, all of Danville, who, being found well qualified, were duly recommended to the Grand Master for commissions as Grand Lecturers.

During the year the following Brethren have resigned their commissions as Grand Lecturers: James McCredie, Hiram Vanderbilt, E. T.

Osgood, William Fitch, Samuel Bradford, F. F. Collins, Oscar Formhals. Removed from the state, W. H. Peak, R. F. Morrow. Died, H. S. Hurd.

SCHOOLS.

In compliance with your order, Schools of Instruction in the work were conducted by the Board at the following places and dates: Mt. Vernon, January 9, 10, 11; E. St. Louis, January 23, 24, 25; Danville, February 6, 7, 8; Ottawa, February 20, 21, 22; Peoria, March 5, 6, 7.

The records of these Schools were as follows:

Mt. Vernon.

Grand Officers present, 5.—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, S.G.W.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; T. S. Browning, Grand Pursuivant.

District Deputy Grand Masters, 13.—J. R. Ennis, D. G. Fitzgerrell, C. O. Fought, W. H. Rupe, E. C. Tillottson, E. R. Turnbull, C. H. Thompson, C. N. Hambleton, W. A. Hoover, M. T. Booth, J. E. Wheat, F. Von W. Wysow, D. D. King.

Grand Lecturers, 29.—J. E. Wheat, M. T. Booth, W. A. Hoover, C. N. Hambleton, C. H. Thompson, E. R. Turnbull, E. C. Tillottson, W. H. Rupe, C. O. Fought, D. G. Fitzgerrell, J. R. Ennis, D. D. King, A. H. Scrogin, Isaac Cutter, Addison Hickox, F. M. Cruickshank, T. S. Browning, J. N. Fairchild, Jas. Porter, H. H. Milnor, W. W. Roberts, A. J. Winteringham, T. C. Hambleton, S. C. D. Rea, C. H. Martin, W. S. Craig, F. O. Lorton, J. I. Brydon, Anthony Dohorty.

Worshipful Masters, 21; Secretaries, 11; Lodges represented, 73. Total register, 212.

East St. Louis.

Grand Officers, 8.—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; H. T. Burnap, D.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, S.G.W.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, Grand Secretary; A. H. Bell, Grand Orator; G. N. Todd, G.S.B.; Harris Levy, J.G.D.

District Deputy Grand Masters, 9.—D. D. King, Albert Roullier, D. E. Farr, H. M. Palmer, R. E. Gifford, C. O. Fought, I. H. Todd, D. D. Fitzgerrell, C. H. Thompson.

Grand Lecturers, 31.—D. E. Farr, C. H. Thompson, D. G. Fitzgerrell, C. O. Fought, H. M. Palmer, Albert Roullier, D. D. King, I. H. Todd, W. D. Price, D. C. Davidson, H. T. Burnap, A. A. Butler, C. L. Montgomery, A. H. Scrogin, Anthony Dohorty, Nimrod Mace, Otto

Brail, S. M. Shoeman, Silas Watts, F. W. Froelich, R. C. Clark, Maxwell Levy, G. N. Todd, T. B. Strauss, Jas. Porter, J. I. Brydon, F. M. Cruickshank, Andrew McNally, J. M. Willard, D. W. Starr, Isaac Cutter.

Worshipful Masters, 37; Secretaries, 16; Lodges represented, 136. Total register, 554.

Danville.

Grand Officers, 4.—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; Isaac Cutter, G.S.; G. N. Todd, G.S.B.; Owen Scott, P.G.M.

District Deputy Grand Masters, 8.—F. H. Bradley, H. Gassaway, H. A. Dever, W. P. Jones, L. W. Morton, A. T. Summers, E. C. Tillottson, C. L. Sandusky.

Grand Lecturers, 26.—F. H. Bradley, H. A. Dever, W. P. Jones, E. C. Tillottson, A. T. Summers, D. E. Bruffett, C. P. Ross, H. W. Modlin, D. S. Mellinger, Ben Bing, J. N. Fairchild, L. E. Rockwood, Z. S. Saylor, J. F. Boyle, George Edwards, A. J. Winteringham, J. S. Edmonston, J. W. Foreman, C. G. Stovall, Jas. Porter, H. A. Flock, J. A. Wesch, B. S. Blaine, G. N. Todd, Isaac Cutter, A. Stansbury.

Worshipful Masters, 22; Secretaries, 11; Lodges represented, 140. Total register, 490.

Ottawa.

Grand Officers, 5.—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; R. H. Wheeler, S. G.W.; Isaac Cutter, G.S.; M. B. Iott, G.M.; Edward Cook, P.G.M.

District Deputy Grand Masters, 6.—D. D. King, Jas. M. Huff, J. L. Brearton, D. M. Baird, W. P. Grube, Emmett Howard.

Grand Lecturers, 29.—R. H. Wheeler, D. D. King, J. M. Huff, W. P. Grube, Emmett Howard, H. D. Hamper, Addison Hickox, W. E. Edwards, F. M. Cruickshank, A. W. Cain, S. B. Harvey, R. D. Mills, M. B. Iott, Max Levy, D. M. Wylie, Geo. Edwards, Wm. Scales, Isaac Cutter, Amos Ball, A. J. Winteringham, W. E. Speckman, S. E. Kain, L. A. Keiser, W. H. Barnard, Elmer Tregay, A. O. Novander, James John, J. B. Roach, W. A. Dixon.

Worshipful Masters, 25; Secretaries, 11; Lodges represented, 86. Total register, 275.

Peoria.

Grand Officers, 6.—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; H. T. Burnap, D.G.M.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, G.S.; A. H. Bell, G.O.; S. S. Borden, S.G.D.

District Deputy Grand Masters, 10.—L. W. Lawton, D. D. King, C. T. Holmes, C. L. Sandusky, W. P. Jones, T. P. Carter, F. H. Bradley, W. H. Bied, J. C. Weis, L. W. Morton.

Grand Lecturers, 29.—D. D. King, C. T. Holmes, W. P. Jones, F. H. Bradley, W. H. Bied, J. C. Weis, H. T. Burnap, Isaac Cutter, A. H. Scrogin, C. E. Allen, S. S. Borden, F. W. Froelich, E. J. Tye, E. W. Peterson, C. P. Ross, B. I. Pumpelly, N. B. Carson, J. A. Wesch, W. E. Edwards, H. A. Snell, C. L. Tanner, S. B. Harvey, L. B. Dyer, T. W. Nixon, Emmerson Clark, H. E. Vanloon, H. D. Jackson, C. A. Luse, D. M. Wiley.

Worshipful Masters, 37; Secretaries, 17; Lodges represented, 138. Total register, 713.

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

The following District Schools have been reported to me:

District No. 32. School at Pittsfield. C. P. Ross in charge, January 30-31, Feb. 1.

D.D.G.M. present—Emmett Howard.

Grand Lecturers—C. P. Ross, Emmett Howard.

Lodges represented, 20; Secretaries, 2; Masters, 5. Total register, 87.

District No. 26. School at Bloomington. J. M. Hannum in charge. January 16, 17, 18.

Grand Officers present—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.

D.D.G.M.'s—Emmett Howard, L. W. Lawton, H. M. Palmer.

Grand Lecturers—N. B. Carson, R. G. Bright, H. M. Palmer, F. H. Blose, T. W. Nixon, Amos Ball, B. I. Pumpelly, Nimrod Mace, Emmett Howard, W. N. Ewing, R. C. Clark, A. H. Scrogin, W. A. Dixon.

Worshipful Masters, 9; Secretaries, 2; Lodges represented, 36. Total register, 249.

District No. 22. Aledo, February 13, 14, 15. C. L. Gregory in charge.

Grand Officers—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.; Isaac Cutter, G.S.; E. L. Willetts, G.S.; C. E. Allen, P.G.M.

D.D.G.M.'s—C. T. Holmes, D. E. Farr.

Grand Lecturers—C. T. Holmes, D. E. Farr, Isaac Cutter, A. H. Scrogin, C. E. Allen.

Masters, 8; Secretaries, 4; Lodges represented, 27. Total register, 169.

District No. 14. Rock Island, February 13, 14, 15. J. E. Jeffers in charge.

D.D.G.M.—M. T. Booth.

Grand Lecturers—M. T. Booth, C. E. Grove, G. E. Carlson, G. W. Flood.

Masters, 11; Secretaries, 8; Lodges represented, 50. Total register, 378.

District No. 25. Lincoln, February 13, 14, 15. J. M. Hannum in charge.

D.D.G.M.—L. W. Lawton.

Grand Lecturers—B. I. Pumpelly, R. G. Bright.

Masters, 11; Secretaries, 4; Lodges represented, 17. Total register, 86.

District No. 29. Decatur, February 27, 28, 29. J. E. Jeffers in charge.

Grand Officers—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; C. F. Tenney, G.S.

D.D.G.M.'s—A. T. Summers, A. M Bloxam.

Grand Lecturers—W. A. Dixon, H. O. Folrath, C. W. Kessler, C. L. Montgomery, D. W. Starr, A. T. Summers, A. M. Bloxam, N. M. Mesnard, A. A. Bauer, W. S. Craig, J. M. Willard, Silas Watts, H. W. Crabb, R. C. Peck, C. F. Tenney.

Masters, 17; Secretaries, 6; Lodges represented, 61. Total register, 396.

District No. 24. Carthage, February 27, 28, 29. J. M. Hannum in charge.

Grand Officers—Isaac Cutter, G. Sec.

D.D.G.M.'s—Emmett Howard, E. M. Crain.

Grand Lecturers—Emmett Howard, Isaac Cutter, A. W. West

Masters, 9; Secretaries, 5; Lodges represented, 19. Total register, 122.

District No. 45. Benton. D. G. Fitzgerrell in charge.

Grand Officers—T. S. Browning, Gr. Pursuivant.

D.D.G.M.'s—D. G. Fitzgerrell, C. H. Thompson.

Grand Lecturers—D. F. Fitzgerrell, C. H. Thompson, Anthony Dohorty, T. S. Browning, S. C. D. Rea.

Masters, 4; Secretaries, 2; Lodges represented, 29. Total register, 110.

District No. 39. Paris, March 12, 13, 14. J. M. Hannum in charge.

D.D.G.M.—H. Gassaway.

Grand Lecturers—J. A. Wesch, J. N. Fairchild, J. I. Brydon, Jas. Porter.

Masters, 6; Secretaries, 2; Lodges represented, 18. Total register, 183.

District No. 33. Quincy, March 12, 13, 14. Emmett Howard in charge.

Grand Officers—Isaac Cutter, G.S.

D.D.G.M.—E. M. Crain, Emmett Howard.

Masters, 13; Secretaries, 9; Lodges represented, 38. Total register, 278.

District No. 31. Jacksonville, March 12, 13, 14. J. E. Jeffers in charge.

D.D.G.M.'s—G. N. Todd, T. P. Carter.

Masters, 6; Secretaries, 3; Lodges represented, 12. Total register, 102.

Grand Lecturers—C. P. Ross, C. W. Kessler, G. N. Todd.

District No. 35. Carlinville, March 20, 21. E. R. Turnbull in charge.

D.D.G.M.—E. R. Turnbull.

Grand Lecturers—E. R. Turnbull, F. O. Lorton, F. W. Froelich.

Masters, 6; Secretaries, 3; Lodges represented, 12. Total register, 102.

District No. 23. Canton, March 26, 27, 28. J. M. Hannum in charge.

D.D.G.M.—L. W. Morton.

Grand Lecturers—Emmerson Clark, C. F. Shaw.

Masters, 10; Secretaries, 3; Lodges represented, 25. Total register, 153.

District No. 46. Grayville, March 25, 26, 27. C. H. Martin in charge.

D.D.G.M.'s—C. N. Hambleton, J. R. Ennis, W. H. Rupe.

Grand Lecturers—J. R. Ennis, W. H. Rupe, C. H. Martin, C. N. Hambleton.

Masters, 6; Secretaries, 3; Lodges represented, 10. Total register, 58.

District No. 47. Harrisburg, March 26, 27, 28. J. E. Jeffers in charge.

D.D.G.M.—I. A. Foster, M. Osment.

Masters, 9; Secretaries, 5; Lodges represented, 34. Total register, 146.

District No. 30. Springfield, March 26, 27, 28. A. H. Scrogin in charge.

Grand Officers—D. D. Darrah, M.W.G.M.; A. H. Scrogin, J.G.W.

D.D.G.M.—A. T. Summers, H. L. Smith.

Grand Lecturers—A. T. Summers, F. O. Lorton, C. W. Kessler, A. H. Scrogin, Nimrod Mace

Masters, 9; Secretaries, 4; Lodges represented, 32. Total register, 259.

District No. 38. Sullivan, March 20, 21, 22. G. N. Todd in charge.

D.D.G.M.'s—G. N. Todd, C. O. Fought.

Grand Lecturers—G. N. Todd, Jas. Porter, W. A. Dixon, W. S. Craig, C. O. Fought.

Masters, 6; Secretaries, 3; Lodges represented, 26. Total register, 122.

District No. 12. Aurora, March 25-26. E. E. Beach in charge.

D.D.G.M.'s—J. C. Wightman, D. M. Baird.

Grand Lecturers.—J. B. Roach, A. J. Winteringham, H. D. Hamper, W. D. Price, R. C. Clark, C. J. Wightman.

Masters, 24; Secretaries, 14; Lodges represented, 48. Total register, 240.

Districts of Cook County. Chicago, March 19, 20, 21. J. M. Hannum and J. E. Jeffers in charge.

Grand Officers—R. H. Wheeler, S. G. W.; S. S. Borden, S.G.D.; M. B. Iott, G.M.; H. S. Albin, G.S.

D.D.G.M.—Wm. Wilharts, H. A. Dever, W. H. Bied, F. H. Bradley, H. W. Harvey, D. D. King, E. C. Tillottson, W. P. Jones.

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By J. E. Jeffers, Sec.

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To the M.W. Grand Lodge of Illinois, A.F. and A.M.:

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433	H. E. Whitted	"
434	Harry R. Row	"
436	T. H. Schwegler	"
	Bert B. Huntley*	S. W.
437	Henry Fredman	W.M.
440	Fred Ebel	"

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441	N. W. Macon	W.M.
442	Harry C. Liggett	"
444	C. A. Okerson	"
445	W. J. Finch	"
	W. A. Knoop	S. W.
446	Geo. W. Lace*	W.M.
447	E. H. Mills	"
448	Jay A. McLaughlin	"
449	Chas. W. Wright	S. W.
450	C. S. Park	W.M.
451	F. W. Bauxmeyer	"
453	M. Mays	"
454	C. F. Crum	"
455	C. F. Laws	"
456	G. H. Webster*	"
458	Robert Jas. Sneed*	"
460	J. C. Beslow	"
461	L. Lemay	"
462	Frank A. Bluce	"
463	Fred L. Chilis	"
464	J. W. Fleming	"
465	T. E. Biderback	"
466	H. D. Lawrence	"
467	Albert Snyder	S. W.
468	T. W. Nixon	W.M.
469	S. B. VanNess	"
	Robert B. Boners	S. W.
470	Nate Rand	W.M.
471	Paul L. Hoadley	"
472	J. D. Wills	"
473	Edward R. Davis	"
474	F. W. Weinel	"
475	A. F. Minor	"
476	Rudolph H. Rohlfs	"
477	H. S. Baer	"
	C. L. Foucht*	S. W.
478	Frank E. Hodek	W.M.
479	W. J. Forster	"
481	M. A. Searls	"
482	Eber E. Mahon*	"
484	Wilbur Bartley	"
486	Chas. Roekenfired*	"
487	Geo. W. Willard	"
488	C. W. Evans	S. W.
489	W. A. Jones	W.M.
490	E. H. Miller	"
491	Louis Hiller*	"
492	Julius A. Hrifton	"
	Paul M. Morris	S. W.
	Earl H. Corlett	J. W.
493	E. E. White	W.M.
496	Richard H. Curnow	"
497	Thos. Robertson*	"
498	J. R. Hathaway	"
500	Ernest C. White	"

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501	Jos. G. Reed	W.M.
502	G. D. Drennan	"
503	H. V. Toulme	"
	C. E. Sloan*	S. W.
504	Chas. L. Davis	W.M.
505	John A. Seckler	"
506	Robt. F. Karr	"
508	Robert C. Cantelon	"
509	H. D. Talley	"
510	Noble S. Songer	"
512	C. L. Abrams	"
	A. W. DuBois	S. W.
	E. R. McKibben	J. W.
514	E. H. Phenix*	W.M.
516	Harry W. Titherington	"
	Fred Miller	J. W.
517	F. C. Blackwelder	W.M.
518	G. F. Pope	"
519	A. S. Holeman	"
520	Robt. L. Shannon	"
	Rod. Burnett	S. W.
	Wm. L. Wiggins*	J. W.
521	H. C. Roberts	W.M.
	H. H. Hesser	S. W.
	Joe H. Faith	J. W.
523	E. T. Chorn	S. W.
524	O. C. Wehrstedt	W.M.
	W. L. Mayer	S. W.
526	Wm. Thompson	W.M.
528	R. J. Churchill	"
	Roy Hare	S. W.
529	M. W. Bowker	"
530	J. E. Shearer	W.M.
531	Sam'l T. Zeller, Jr.	"
	Carl Schrade	J. W.
532	Frederick Whittaker	W.M.
533	N. L. Brown	"
534	Guy King*	"
535	G. H. Wayne	"
537	Wm. Lee Roughton	"
538	Wm. E. Keig	"
539	S. S. Hitch	"
	D. W. Hitch*	S. W.
540	John W. Gramnett	W.M.
	R. L. Sias	S. W.
	Ralph W. Cavenaugh	J. W.
541	R. E. Voris	W.M.
542	Samuel Marsh*	"
543	Howard F. Reeves*	"
544	J. C. Chittick	"
550	G. E. Welsh	"
552	B. F. Colehower	"
554	Wm. Glanville	"
555	Harry J. Arnold	"
556	H. S. Wiley*	"

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557	Adolph Steidle	W.M.
	Frederick Maas	J. W.
558	J. M. Reynolds	W.M.
559	A. P. Atherton	"
560	Oscar Latowsky	"
562	E. T. Snyder	"
564	A. M. Stites	"
565	John R. Galloway*	"
566	H. R. Senior	S. W.
567	A. J. Dorris	W.M.
569	C. E. Bagby	"
570	C. C. Phelps	"
572	Chas. L. Harns	"
574	W. H. Shinker	"
575	W. C. Truman	"
576	Wm. A. Koenigstein	"
577	A. A. Bailey	"
578	John Hillyer	"
580	Elmer Ritter	"
581	R. S. Dillow	"
582	B. F. Moberly	"
583	B. D. Tibbetts	"
584	F. T. DuVon	"
585	J. W. Harmon	"
587	Thos. P. Germing	"
	D. P. Streeter*	S. W.
	D. H. Dean*	J. W.
588	James Rawson	W.M
590	Ransom Bloomer	"
591	C. H. Covdit	"
592	John T. Brown	"
600	P. H. Dobson	"
	Wm. A. Derr*	J. W.
601	C. E. Wenck	W.M.
602	J. C. Trimble	"
603	I. W. Winters	"
604	W. M. Millar*	"
607	Ben. R. Hare	"
608	Lester F. Somers	"
609	Wm. A. Ward	"
610	Edward J. Hunt*	S. W.
611	John M. Bryant	W.M.
	Joseph R. Smith	S. W.
	E. F. Fitzewitz	J. W.
612	Frank Cubitt	W.M.
613	Geo. H. Pope	"
616	William Fairlee	"
617	Frank O. Allshouse	S. W.
618	Albert Naegelin	W.M.
620	W. D. Jennings	"
622	H. F. Flenniken	"
623	Geo. E. Ritscher	S. W.
627	Alfred E. Brooks	W.M.
630	Eldred O. Hale	"
631	Nelson Canham	"

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632	C. M. Harrold	W.M.
633	James Skinner	J. W.
634	Elwin Hull	W.M.
635	J. D. Hunter	"
636	H. C. Reser	"
639	Geo. P. Allmendinger	"
	Chas. H. Sharp	S. W.
	Chas. F. Lowry	J. W.
641	M. H. Hand	W.M.
642	Edward A. Kuehnstaedt	"
	Sidney Oppenheim	S. W.
	F. Lloyd Mark	J. W.
643	Albert Bietz	W.M.
	G. B. Davidson	S. W.
	Harry S. Smale	J. W.
644	Wm. N. Dicky	W.M.
645	Wm. Hullinger	"
646	D. F. Stevens	"
647	Orville D. Clark	"
648	Everett Cady, Jr	"
651	J. F. A. Edmonson	"
653	James O. McKee	"
655	Jesse Van Bibber	"
656	Henry Reimand	"
657	C. D. Gardiner	"
658	Herbert B. Hayden*	"
659	W. W. Lewis	"
660	A. W. Farr	"
662	Chas. H. Van Allen	"
	J. S. Shaefer	S. W.
	L. D. Mathins	J. W.
664	James A. McCorkle	W.M.
665	J. F. Jennings	"
666	James T. Athey	"
667	S. A. Eddy	"
668	Ed. R. Martin	"
669	Chas. Vietzen	"
	Frank Breth	S. W.
	Aug. Fellies	J. W.
670	Charles H. Rameyn	W M.
672	H. G. Maynor	"
673	H. G. McCormick	"
	W. C. Hanson	J. W.
674	Geo. Wetzell	W.M.
	Fred Hess	S. W.
	Henry Reuther	J. W.
675	Fred C. Kincaid	W.M.
676	Fred R. Moon	"
	E. L. Parshall	S. W.
677	John N. Wilson	W.M.
679	M. M. Marquis	"
680	C. E. Peterson	"
681	John M. Becker	"
682	C. L. Montgomery*	"
683	F. S. Jackson*	"

NO.	NAMES.	
684	John F. Ryan	W.M.
685	E. J. Tye	"
686	Harry C. Stiler	"
	John R. Smal	J. W.
687	Harry C. Snyder	W.M.
688	Peter Wright	"
690	Harry B. Holmes	S. W.
	Claud R. Grover	J. W.
691	E i F. Patrick	W.M.
692	Alva W. Jones	"
693	Hiram E. Fowler	"
695	H. Mohlenbrock	"
696	R. O. Davenport	"
697	Henry Feicke	"
	Chas. R. Beadell	S. W.
	Sam A. Campbell	J. W.
698	C. W. McMorris	W.M.
701	Elbert Yates	"
702	E. L. Beal	"
704	A. H. Nelson	"
705	J. W. Hill	"
706	H. O. Knowles	"
709	Al. Spalding	"
710	I. F. Houserman*	"
711	John Groenier	"
712	W. C. Hadley	"
713	W. M. Alvis	"
715	G. R. Pilkington	"
716	Wm. M. Hartzel	"
	Thomas J. McGrath	J. W.
717	Edward Anderson	W.M.
	Roy E. Stiles	S. W.
718	J. A. Graham	W.M.
719	T. J. Throgmartin	"
721	J. R. Walker	"
722	H. G. Keigwin	"
723	Rola Eubams	"
724	Wm. W. Muller	"
725	Walter L. Rankin	"
726	Paul J. Kettner	"
	Francis E. Johnson	S. W.
	Sverre C. Iverson	J. W.
727	J. E. Wells	W.M.
728	W. T. Wiltberger	"
729	Gordon Pillow	S. W.
730	D. L. Wood	W.M.
731	Robert S. Caidlow	"
	W. S. Fritts	S. W.
	Chas. J. Powers	J. W.
732	A. C. Babcock	W.M.
733	C. W. Knapp	"
734	A. L. Owings	"
735	Robert Knapp	"
737	R. L. Eldridge	"
739	Robert Elmer Nixon	"

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	John Pollock, Jr.	S. W.
	E. E. Gaskill	J. W.
741	Andrew E. Peters	W.M.
742	E. S. Sloane	"
743	J. Frank Jennings	"
744	L. G. Payne	"
745	H. J. Waterstreet	"
746	C. L. Roben*	"
747	C. F. Van Vleck	"
748	Wm. C. Chambers	"
749	Geo. H. Flanagan	"
750	Walter Austin	"
751	Emil E. Myers	"
752	A. L. Robinson	"
754	Henry V. Cardiff	"
	Walter V. Cooper*	S. W.
755	P. C. Freytag	W.M.
756	Irwin G. Pringle	"
757	Walter Kilmer	S. W.
758	Geo. M. Heath	W.M.
759	H. H. Clark	"
761	Elmer D. Cameron	"
762	Joe Johnson	"
763	J. E. Peck	"
764	H. M. Butter	"
	F. J. Thompson	S. W.
	Irving Sherman*	J. W.
765	Louis Pickett*	W.M.
	E. G. Berger*	S. W.
	O. R. Seffens	J. W.
766	Lorin L. Horney	W.M.
767	Victor B. Clevenger	"
	Wm. M. M. Bending	S. W.
768	C. S. Randall	W.M.
769	I. W. Arnold	"
770	R. O. Bird	"
	C. M. Bard	S. W.
	T. I. Christopher	J. W.
771	I. S. Lillie	W.M.
772	Robert W. Alsbrook	"
774	John J. Lassahn	S. W.
	F. B. Lambert	J. W.
776	G. F. Barton	W.M.
777	Howard E. Black	"
	J. Herbert Thorne	S. W.
778	A. T. Hazel	W.M.
779	W. M. Wilkinson	"
	P. C. Vaughan	S. W.
	Robt. Haubold	J. W.
780	Wm. G. Houghton*	W.M.
782	E. R. Duncan	"
783	Edmund Weber	"
	Robert Brisckom	S. W.
	Louis Link	J. W.
784	E. N. Christiman	W.M.
	Chas. L. Etheridge	J. W.
786	J. L. Parsons	W.M.
787	Corry W. Fike*	"
788	W. H. Williams	"
789	S. H. Manchee	"
790	O. D. Lovell	"
791	T. A. Dicks	"
792	Wm. L. Mottaz	"
793	J. L. Quinburg	S. W.
794	Wm. J. McDaniel	W.M.
796	W. A. Jolley	"
797	Arthur N. Evans	"
	Sidney C. Gaunk	S. W.
	Samuel G. Arnold	J. W.
798	J. A. Seybold*	W.M.
799	John J. Ove	"
800	Chas. S. Parker	"
	Chas. N. Woodward	S. W.
	Alex. E. McCollum	J. W.
801	P. W. Miller*	W.M.
802	Geo. Tregonsing	"
803	Chas. L. Higgins	"
804	Chas. Bakkers*	S. W.
	Henry Guthardt	J. W.
805	Thomas Watkins	W.M.
806	R. C. Pollock	"
807	J. H. Vise	S. W.
808	E. A. Haynes	W.M.
809	Daniel R. Elam	"
810	Fred E. Reynolds	"
	Victor H. Tousley	S. W.
	Harry A. Daugherty	J. W.
811	H. N. Boshell	W.M.
812	R. B. Moody	"
813	John C. Groetzinger*	"
	A. E. Bennett	S. W.
	Wm. W. Harper	J. W.
814	A. C. Ruff	W.M.
815	Archibald T. Conn	"
	Robt. C. King	S. W.
	Emil P. Michael	J. W.
816	Moses M. Logan	W.M.
817	E. E. Leach	"
818	L. B. Olson	"
	C. C. Reeves	S. W.
	B. W. Scholton	J. W.
820	Perry Wene	W.M.
821	S. A. Dutcher	"
822	W. T. Laughlin	"
823	C. B. Mitchell	"
824	T. F. Leach*	"
825	Jas. Lawrence	"
827	James H. Reading	J. W.
829	G. B. Boswell	W.M.
830	B. B. Horton	"

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831	C. W. Francisco	J. W.
832	Roderick B. Harwood	W.M.
	Edward Anderson*	S. W.
833	Jerome T. Hayes	W.M.
834	John W. Grisson	"
835	Wm. H. Schildmann	"
836	P. C. Fieldse	"
	Jas. P. Wooley	J. W.
837	Ober Langley	W.M.
839	George C. Diver	"
	Arthur R. Wolfe	S. W.
	George H. Murphy	J. W.
840	Mitchell Fennill	S. W.
841	James K. Lambert	W.M.
	Frederick W. Krengel	S. W.
	Wilbur M. Brown	J. W.
842	E. A. Schmidt*	W.M.
845	Otto Gotlieb Mack	S. W.
846	E. D. Beird	W.M.
847	Ralph Butler	"
848	Elmer E. Sampson	"
849	C. P. Haskett	"
850	J. E. Nelson	"
851	James Cropper	"
	Wm. E. Devoe	S. W.
	Oswald Feind	J. W.
852	H. C. Windt	W.M.
853	Wm. T. Phillips*	"
	Chas. W. Phillips*	S. W.
854	Walter E. Felt	W.M.
	Harry Smith	J. W.
855	Nels O. Johnson	W.M.
	Alf. A. Norton	S. W.
856	Spencer B. Waldron*	W.M.
857	M. P. Murphy	"
858	James Sinden*	"
	James Sinden*	S. W.
859	M. J. Tyson	W.M.
860	J. C. Jones	"
861	C. F. Gipson	"
862	Robert C. Dyrenforth	"
863	A. Davis*	"
864	Alex. W. Bent	S. W.
865	Edgar Zimmerman	W.M.
	John B. Bruce	S. W.
	Emil H. Kopp	J. W.
866	Edwin L. Clodfelter	W.M.
867	H. L. Spealman	"
868	P. Hapner*	"
869	Hugh Muir	"
870	Alfred H. Bell	"
871	S. O. Hilbrant*	"
872	Delbert Meade	"
873	D. A. Smalley	"
	V. E. Lawrence	J. W.

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874	W. A. Solomon	W.M.
875	Chas. Cunnard	"
	Wm. MacGowan	S. W.
	A. V. Schneider	J. W.
876	Martin C. Olson	W.M.
	Elmer S. Lott	J. W.
877	Fred J. Jerden*	W.M.
878	Rasmus Nansen	"
	Thos. N. Wheatley	S. W.
	N. W. Hale	J. W.
879	O. C. Tennant	W.M.
	Geo. S. Harrington	S. W.
	Alfred S. Hope*	J. W.
880	A. C. Dyckman	W.M.
	J. W. Strood	S. W.
	C. H. Bischoff	J. W.
881	C. Beckmann	W.M.
882	P. Johnson	W.M.
	A. Loule	S. W.
	J. Strain	J. W.
883	Philip Mason	W.M.
884	John Lampley	"
885	Frank J. England	J. W.
886	Carl Lorenzen	W.M.
887	M. E. Bundy	"
888	Robert A. Anderson	"
889	Lew W. Webb	"
	Frank J. Boettcher	S. W.
	Harvey T. Fletcher	J. W.
890	Herman Haas	W.M.
	John F. Heller*	S. W.
	Ning Eley	J. W.
891	Fred A. Olsen	W.M.
	A. J. Donovan	S. W.
	Alexander Panks	J. W.
893	G. W. Thompson*	W.M.
894	Wm. E. Summer	"
895	Sam Wohl	"
896	R. G. Lippert	"
	R. Boya	S. W.
	W. A. Davis	J. W.
897	Julius S. Blackney	W.M.
898	A. C. Hansen*	"
899	A. E. Kinkead	"
900	Lewis V. Gustin	"
	J. D. Penrose	J. W.
901	Chas. J. Weiskopf	W.M.
	E. L. Halfired	S. W.
	T. E. MacCormack	J. W.
902	Andrew O. Hill	W.M.
903	Z. T. Taylor*	"
904	Adam C. Semple	"
905	John J. Miller	"
906	O. M. Denton	"
907	Leo Michael	"

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908	James H. Lillie	W.M.
909	W. A. Forward	"
	F. S. Wolffs	S. W.
	H. L. Barnett	J. W.
910	E. L. Lawrence	"
911	Arthur F. Gorch	W.M.
	Hatch Flint	S. W.
912	H. B. Fox	W.M.
913	W. W. Lackey	"
914	Oscar C. Haynard	"
	Roger T. Farley	S. W.
	G. V. Nevins	J. W.
915	John T. Brown	W.M.
916	Edward A. St. John	"
917	A. M. Hoopes	S. W.
	James Mills	J. W.
918	R. D. Webb	W.M.
919	J. C. Beattie	"
	G. E. Gurney	S. W.
	D. N. Blatt	J. W.
920	D. A. Bryant	W.M.
921	David F. Shogren	"
922	John Mutter	"
923	Ben D. Mayer	"
	Alb. Dixon	S. W.
	Henry Morris	J. W.
924	R. W. Starr	W.M.
	F. E. Monnille	S. W.
	W. D. Higgins	J. W.
925	C. A. French	S. W.
926	R. T. Derbey	W.M.
	Theo. E. Gurney	J. W.
927	R. R. Longenicker	W.M.
928	Wm. C. Unruh	W.M.
929	W. D. Harding	"
930	Frank Nelson*	"
931	W. D. Matthews	"
	A. J. Taylor	S. W.
	L. R. Slawson	J. W.
932	L. C. Ruby	W.M.
933	J. L. Martin	"
934	W. L. Wilson	"
	Geo. F. Lewis	S. W.
	John C. Prentz	J. W.
936	L. P. McMillin	W.M.
937	James F. Coombs	"
	C. E. Cooper	S. W.
	T. M. Avery*	J. W.
938	Louis Kroc	W.M.
939	William T. Foster	"
940	F. M. Thurmon	"
941	John L. Greaves	"
942	Harrison G. Gerlach	"
943	Charles B. Pavlicek	"
944	Louis Steinberg	"
	Geo. K. Reeder	S. W.
945	Oliver McDaniel	W.M.
946	Orlando Brown	"
947	Albert T. Maul*	"
948	Omer V. Cummings	"
949	Aaron C. Kortley	"
	Edwin H. Ogley	S. W.
	H. N. DeJarnette*	J. W.

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Committee.

DETAILED REPORT COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

The following is a detailed report of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem:

GRAND OFFICERS.

NAMES.	OFFICE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
			$	$	$
Delmar D. Darrah	M.W. Grand Master				
Henry T. Burn p	R.W. Dep. Gr. Master	259	25 90	6	31 90
Ralph H. Wheeler	R.W. Sr. Gr. Warden	4	40	6	6 40
A. H. Scrogin	R.W. Jr. Gr. Warden	110	11 00	6	17 00
Leroy A Goddard	R.W. Gr. Treasurer				
Isaac Cutter	R.W. Gr. Secretary				
Jos. C. Nate	R.W. Gr. Chaplain	128	12 80	6	18 80
A. H. Bell	R.W. Grand Orator				
G. A. Stadler	W. Dep. Gr. Sec'y	173	17 30	6	23 30
T. S. Browning	W. Gr. Pursuivant	307	30 70	6	36 70
M. B. Iott	W. Grand Marshal	1	10	6	6 10
J. L. Brewster	W. Gr. Stand. Bearer	36	3 60	6	9 60
C. G. Stovall	W. Gr. Sword Bearer	150	15 00	6	21 00
S. S. Borden	W. Sr. Gr. Deacon	70	70	6	6 70
Harris Levy	W. Jr. Gr. Deacon	316	31 60	6	37 60
Ch. F. Tenny	W. Grand Steward	153	15 30	6	21 30
H. S. Albin	W. Grand Steward	6	60	6	6 60
G. W. Tipsword	W. Grand Steward	214	21 40	6	27 40
Ed. L. Willits	W. Grand Steward	189	18 90	6	24 90
C. S. Gurney	Bro. Grand Tyler	5	50	6	6 50
H. E Hamilton	Bro. Past S. G. Warden	2	20	6	6 20

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Wm. Willhartz	1st District.	1	$10 00	$ 6	$ 6 10
H. W. Harvey	2d "	3	30	6	6 30
H. A. Dever	3d "	7	70	6	6 70
.....	4th "				
D. D. King	5th "	1	10	6	6 10
W. H Bied	6th "	8	80	6	6 80
E. C Tillotson	7th "	14	1 40	6	7 40
Ch. J. Wightman	8th "	46	4 60	6	10 60
J. M. Huff	9th "	78	7 80	6	13 80
J. L. Brearton	10th "	138	13 80	6	19 80
.....	11th "				
D. M Baird	12th "	52	5 20	6	11 20
J. E. Wheat	13th "	110	11 00	6	17 00
M. T. Booth	14th "	152	15 20	6	21 20
F. H. Bradley	15th "	111	11 10	6	17 10
W. H. Bainard	16th "	84	8 40	6	14 40
W. W. Smith	17th "	37	3 70	6	9 70
W. I Holcomb	18th "	56	5 60	6	11 60
W. A. Hoover	19th "	110	11 00	6	17 00
Chas H Ireland	20th "	127	12 70	6	18 70
C. T. Holmes	21st "	163	16 30	6	22 30

R. W. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.—*Continued.*

NAMES.	DISTRICTS.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
D. E. Farr	22d District	176	$17 60	6	$23 60
L. W. Morton	23d "	181	18 10	6	24 10
E. M. Crain	24th "	226	22 60	6	28 60
L. W. Lawton	25th "	157	15 70	6	21 70
H. M. Palmer	26th "	141	14 10	6	20 10
C. L. Sandusky	27th "	124	12 40	6	18 40
W. P. Jones	28th "	137	13 70	6	19 70
A. T. Summers	29th "	173	17 30	6	23 30
H. L. Smith	30th "	185	18 50	6	24 50
H. F. Smith	31st "	225	22 50	6	28 50
W. W. Watson	32d "	263	26 30	6	32 30
Emmett Howard	33d "	263	26 30	6	32 30
R. M. Riggs	34th "	235	23 50	6	29 50
E. R. Turnbull	35th "	224	22 40	6	28 40
R. E. Gifford	36th "	232	23 20	6	29 20
A. M. Bloxam	37th "	193	19 30	6	25 30
G. N. Todd	38th "	172	17 20	6	23 20
H. Gassaway	39th "	186	18 60	6	24 60
H. H. Rupe	40th "	231	23 10	6	29 10
C. O. Faught	41st "	211	21 10	6	27 10
C. N. Hambleton	42d "	251	25 10	6	31 10
L. Caywood	43d "	257	25 70	6	31 70
I. H. Todd	44th "	281	28 10	6	34 10
D. G. Fitzgerald	45th "	298	29 80	6	35 80
J. R. Ennis	46th "	272	27 20	6	33 20
I. A Foster	47th "	297	29 70	6	35 70
M. Ozment	48th "	320	32 00	6	38 00
Ch. Thompson	49th "	365	36 50	6	42 50
E. J. Cowling	50th "	366	36 60	6	42 60
Wm. Arens	Germ'n Sp'k'g Lodge	7	70	6	6 70

COMMITTEES.

NAMES.	Miles	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total
APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.				
J. E. Dyas	160	$16 00	$35	$ 51 00
George R. Smith	126	12 60	35	47 60
H. H. Montgomery	249	24 90	35	59 90
A. W. West	173	17 30	35	52 30
J. B. Fithian	37	3 70	35	38 70
W. O. Butler—(Special)	234	23 40	35	58 40
CHARTERED LODGES				
P. C. Barkley	365	36 50	35	71 50
A. M. Hallowell	215	21 50	35	56 50
C. P. Ross	215	21 50	35	56 50
Jas. McCredie	37	3 70	35	38 70
James John	1	10	35	35 10
CORRESPONDENCE.				
Owen Scott	173	17 30	20	37 30

COMMITTEES—*Continued.*

NAMES.	Miles.....	Mileage....	Per Diem.	Total
CREDENTIALS.				
G. W. Cyrus	241	$24 10	$20	$ 44 10
N B. Carson	126	12 60	20	32 60
J. L. Klemme	263	26 30	20	46 30
H. A. Cleventstine	164	16 40	20	36 40
R. C. Clark	6	60	20	20 60
FINANCE.				
S. O. Spring	150	15 00	20	35 00
Thos. A. Stevens	4	40	20	20 40
N. N. Lampert	1	10	20	20 10
GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.				
A M. Otman	150	15 00	20	35 00
H. L. Browning	281	28 10	20	48 10
D. E. Bruffett	130	13 00	20	33 00
LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.				
R. F. Lock	87	8 70	35	43 70
John Johnston	1	10	35	35 10
H. A. Snell	231	23 10	35	58 10
E. J. Merki	1	10	35	35 10
A. Jampolis	7	70	35	35 70
MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.				
M. C. Crawford	330	33 00	20	53 30
C. E. Allen	163	16 30	20	36 30
W. B. Wright	199	19 90	20	39 90
A. W. Gage	14	1 40	20	21 40
Jos. Wetzell	126	12 60	20	32 60
MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.				
W. F. Beck	231	23 10	30	53 10
H. T. Goddard	249	24 90	30	54 90
J. C. Weis	150	15 00	30	45 00
D. W. Starr	222	22 20	30	52 20
A. Doherty	241	24 10	30	54 10
OBITUARIES.				
Chas. A. Martin	225	22 50	20	42 50
Geo. E. Carlson	164	16 40	20	36 40
R. G. Bright	124	12 40	20	32 40
PETITIONS.				
N. M. Mesnard	187	18 70	20	38 70
Louis Zinger	158	15 80	20	35 80
W. F. Gibson	365	36 50	20	56 20
GRAND EXAMINERS.				
J. M. Hannum	113	11 30	15	26 30
J. B. Jeffers	158	15 80	15	30 80
E. E. Beach	1	10	15	15 10
A. E. Ward	110	11 00	15	26 00
C. L. Gregory	176	17 60	15	32 60
SPECIAL COMMITTEES.				
TRUSTEES MASONIC HOME.				
Geo. M. Moulton	1	10	20	20 10
W. A. Dixon	173	17 30	20	37 30
R J. Daly	1	10	20	20 10
James A. Steele	176	17 60	20	37 20
H W. Berks	128	12 80	20	32 80
R. C. Fletcher	15	1 50	20	31 50

COMMITTEES.—*Continued.*

NAMES.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
GRAND LODGE BUILDING.				
A. N. Bell	224	22 40	20	42 40
C. F. Newkirk	7	70	20	20 70
L. C. Johnso	139	13 90	20	33 90
J. D. Cleveland	1	10	20	20 10
W. E. Fitch				
UNITED CHARITIES.				
J. B. McFatrich	1	10	20	20 10
C. S. DeHart	238	23 80	20	43 80
L. L. Emmerson	274	27 40	20	47 40
GREENWOOD CEMETERY.				
Amos Pettibone	1	10	20	20 10
Andrew McNally	1	10	20	20 10
W. H. Robson	7	70	20	20 10
REVISION OF BLUE BOOK.				
Edward Cook	1	10	15	15 10
W. E. Edwards	1	10	15	15 10
Alonzo Dolan	126	12 60	15	27 60

REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Bodley	1	William J. Smith	263	$ 26 30	$6	$32 30
Equality	2	F. O. Sawyer	307	30 70	6	36 70
Harmony	3	Asa M. Robinson	215	21 50	6	27 50
Springfield	4	James R. Orr	185	18 50	6	24 50
Friendship	7	J. R. Leman	98	9 80	6	15 80
Macon	8	E. D. Conrad	173	17 30	6	23 30
Rushville	9	Chas. S. Hodgsen	227	22 70	4	26 70
St. John's	13	Henry F. Linnig	100	10 00	6	16 00
Warren	14	S. M. Lowe	310	31 00	6	37 00
Peoria	15	J. E. Murdock	150	15 00	6	21 00
Temperance	16	R. W. Hickman	230	23 00	6	29 00
Macomb	17	S. P. Odenweller	203	20 30	6	26 30
Clinton	19	J. P. Groshall	188	18 80	6	24 80
Hancock	20	Jas. L. Martin	238	23 80	6	29 80
Cass	23	A. L. Parks	225	22 50	4	26 50
St. Clair	24	Geo. L. Engelman	295	29 50	6	35 50
Franklin	25	M. A. Greding	259	25 90	6	31 90
Piasa	27	F. T. McDonald	257	25 70	6	31 70
Pekin	29	J. A. Schwartz	158	15 80	6	21 80
Mt. Vernon	31	W. A. Cowger	274	27 40	6	33 40
Oriental	33	Frank A. West	1	10	6	6 10
Barry	34	C. E. Beaver	263	26 30	6	32 30
Charleston	35	Fred N. Todd	182	18 20	6	24 20
Kavanaugh	36	D. L. Bryson	144	14 40	6	20 40
Monmouth	37	Dan O. Webster	179	17 90	6	23 90
Olive Branch	38	G. H. Stephens	124	12 40	6	18 40
Herman	39	Chris. S. Fuffli	263	26 30	6	32 30
Occidental	40	Chas. Beck	84	8 40	4	12 40
Mt. Joliet	42	E. N. Harris	37	3 70	6	9 70
Bloomington	43	Nimrod Mace	126	12 60	6	18 60
Hardin	44	Chas. S. Keith	255	25 50	6	31 50
Griggsville	45	A. J. Bindey	246	24 60	6	30 60
Temple	46	Geo. H. Weber	150	15 00	6	21 00
Caledonia	47	H. A. Bride	368	36 80	6	42 80
Unity	48	J. W. Chaffee	36	3 60	6	9 60
Cambridge	49	Wm. Sherden	154	15 40	6	21 40
Carrollton	50	A. E. Hoag	249	24 90	6	30 90
Mt. Moriah	51	Jas. Welsh	232	23 20	6	29 20
Benevolent	52	H. D. Berger	238	23 80	6	29 80
Jackson	53	Wm. Taylor	195	19 50	6	25 50
Washington	55	B. B. Holston	277	27 70	6	33 70
Trio	57	C. G. Taylor	164	16 40	6	22 40
Fraternal	58	H. J. Evans	146	14 60	6	20 60
New Boston	59	C. F. Drury	189	18 90	4	24 90
Belvidere	60	H. E. Delvergne	78	7 80	6	13 80
Lacon	61	E. D. Kenward	128	12 80	6	18 80
St. Marks	63		51	5 10		
Benton	64	J. M. Seymour	307	30 70	6	36 70
Euclid	65	E. C. Shaffer	29	2 90	4	6 90
Pacific	66	E. J. McCullum	168	16 80	6	22 80
Acacia	67	Elmer Tregay	99	9 90	6	15 90
Eureka	69	Geo. N. Campbell	170	17 00	6	23 00
Central	71	Edward G. Weathers	185	18 50	6	24 50
Chester	72	L. Kubetz	321	32 10	6	38 10
Rockton	74	Chas. C. Gayton	102	10 20	6	16 20
Roscoe	75	W. E. DeGroff	86	8 60	6	14 60
Mt. Nebo	76	A. J. Duggan	224	22 40	6	28 40
Prairie	77	Mart Lush	160	16 00	6	22 00
Waukegan	78	Wm. A. Pitt	36	3 60	6	9.60

REPRESENTATIVES—*Continued.*

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage..	Per Diem.	Total.....
Scott	79	J. S. Roane	262	$26 20	$6	$32 20
Whitehall	80	A. Ellis	240	24 00	6	30 00
Vitruvius	81	Gus A. Olson	30	3 00	6	9 00
DeWitt	84	Montrose G. Taylor	148	14 80	6	20 80
Mitchell	85	A. R. Dry	290	29 00	6	35 00
Kaskaskia	86	W. M. Schumerk	313	31 30	6	37 30
Mt. Pulaski	87	R. D. Clark	169	16 90	6	22 90
Havana	88	J. D. McHose	188	18 80	6	24 80
Fellowship	89	A. M. Edwards	326	32 60	6	38 60
Jerusalem Temple	90	J. B. Roach	37	3 70	6	9 70
Metropolis	91	Henry T. Steers	366	36 60	6	42 60
Stewart	92	Lawrance Yelmgren	159	15 90	6	21 90
Toulon	93	Chas. S. McGee	144	14 40	6	20 40
Perry	95	J. R. Sims	252	25 20	6	31 20
Samuel H. Davis	96	D. S. Stevens	106	10 60	6	16 60
Excelsior	97	Roy L. Buckhart	114	11 40	6	17 40
Taylor	98	C. P. Cress	134	13 40	4	17 40
Edwardsville	99	Albert L. Alpiser	267	26 70	6	32 70
Astoria	100	W. R. Browne	218	21 80	6	27 80
Rockford	102	J. A. Schellenberger	87	8 70	6	14 70
Magnolia	103	Henry L. Smalls	123	12 30	6	18 30
Lewistown	104	F. L. Lilly	194	19 40	6	25 40
Winchester	105	Chas. A. Sehert	235	23 50	6	29 50
Lancaster	106	S. S. Duffield	164	16 40	6	22 40
Versailles	108	E. Sklinefelter	246	24 60	6	30 60
Trenton	109	Jas. L. Wilson	278	27 80	6	33 80
Lebanon	110	E. J. Brown	286	28 60	6	34 60
Jonesboro	111	Jas. S. Gore	330	33 00	6	39 00
Robert Burns	113	L. J. Temple	193	19 30	6	25 30
Marcelline	114	Alfred Walt	271	27 10	6	33 10
Rising Sun	115	W. A. Moore	46	4 60	4	8 60
Vermont	116	Chas. Jenkins	211	21 10	6	27 10
Elgin	117	D. L. McClaine	37	3 70	6	9 70
Waverly	118	D. D. Deathreage	210	21 00	6	27 00
Henry	119	O. H. Davis	128	12 80	6	18 80
Mound	122	S. P. Bowyer	202	20 20	6	26 20
Oquawka	123	W. S. Wilson	202	20 20	6	26 20
Cedar	124		62	6 20		
Greenup	125	W. W. Rothrock	194	19 40	6	25 40
Empire	126	Henry Evans	158	15 80	6	21 80
Antioch	127	John Bonner	55	5 50	6	11 50
Raleigh	128	W. T. Cascock	304	30 40	6	36 40
Greenfield	129	J. A. Cravens	252	25 20	6	31 20
Marion	130	Will S. Slack	249	24 90	6	30 90
Golconda	131	Barney Phelps	372	37 20	6	33 20
Mackinaw	132	Jas. A. Long	146	14 60	4	18 60
Marshall	133	L. A. Wallace	177	17 70	6	23 70
Sycamore	134	S. W. Wringley	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lima	135	W. G. Hess	276	27 60	6	33 60
Hutsonville	136	C. Wilton	197	19 70	6	25 70
Polk	137	Orlin J. Davis	305	30 50	6	36 50
Marengo	138	W. C. Woodam	66	6 60	6	12 60
Geneva	139	Wm. M. Raftree	36	3 60	6	9 60
Olney	140	Mark Heap	231	23 10	6	29 10
Garden City	141	J. A. Hafner	1	10	6	6 10
Ames	142		120	12 00		
Richmond	143	Albert M. Gibbs	63	6 30	6	12 30
DeKalb	144	F. E. Wagley	58	5 80	4	9 80
A. W. Rawson	145	H. N. Hammerman	101	10 10	6	16 10
Lee Center	146	B. F. Lane	95	9 50	6	15 50
Clayton	147	Owen E. Bryant	242	24 20	6	30 20
Bloomfield	148	A. E. Schnitter	147	14 70	6	20 70
Effingham	149	David L. Wright	199	19 90	6	25 90
Vienna	150	F. R. Woelfle	340	34 00	6	40 00
Bunker Hill	151	E. D. Farris	250	25 00	6	31 00

REPRESENTATIVES—*Continued.*

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total.
Fidelity	152	R. N. Clower	240	$24 00	$6	$30 00
Clay	153	H. A. Walker	267	26 70	6	32 70
Russell	154	Frank Haworth	135	13 50	6	19 50
Alpha	155	Chas. J. Shaw	163	16 30	6	22 30
Delavan	156	J. E. Reinsheimer	157	15 70	6	21 70
Urbana	157	W. G. Spurgin	130	13 00	6	19 00
McHenry	158	R. G. Chambolin	46	4 60	6	10 60
Kewanee	159	A. P. Hare	131	13 10	6	19 10
Waubansia	160	Thos. W. Wrixon, Jr.	1	10	6	6 10
Virden	161	Fred J. Bradley	207	20 70	6	26 70
Hope	162	S. E. Grigg, Jr.	299	29 90	6	35 90
Edward Dobbins	164	Chas. Eshelma	225	22 50	6	28 50
Atlanta	165	W. C. Kimmiller	146	14 60	6	20 60
Star in the East	166	D. D. Madden	87	8 70	6	14 70
Milford	168	E. W. Scott	88	8 80	6	14 80
Nunda	169	Frank Tomisky	43	4 30	6	10 30
Evergreen	170	Fred J. Jastruse	114	11 40	6	17 40
Girard	171	James W. Roy	211	21 10	6	27 10
Wayne	172	M. Cornell	152	15 20	6	21 20
Cherry Valley	173		84	8 40		
Lena	174	D. M. DeGroff	126	12 60	6	18 60
Matteson	175	A. Von Bentheysen	37	3 70	6	9 70
Mendota	176		84	8 40		
Staunton	177	Al. R. Bethel	245	24 50	6	30 50
Illinois Central	178	R. L. Virgil	95	9 50	6	15 50
Wabash	179	E. T. Allen	180	18 00	6	24 00
Moweaqua	180	Will G. Thompson	186	18 60	6	24 60
Germania	182	Otto Bernolt	2	20	6	6 20
Meridian	183	F. E. Blakeslee	72	7 20	6	13 20
Abingdon	185	Wm. Brinton	173	17 30	6	23 30
Mystic Tie	187	W. T. Shell	110	11 00	4	15 00
Cyrus	188	Chas. F. Emmett	128	12 80	6	18 80
Fulton City	189	J. M. Eaton	136	13 60	6	19 60
Dundee	190	N. B. Winteringham	48	4 80	6	10 80
Farmington	192	C. W. Routton	169	16 90	6	22 90
Herrick	193	C. B. Engelhard	224	22 40	6	28 40
Freedom	194	Chas. R. Lucas	75	7 50	6	13 50
La Harpe	195	Geo. E. Campbell	234	23 40	6	29 40
Louisville	196	Geo. W. McGlashan	228	22 80	6	28 80
King Solomon's	197	Edson Burch	257	25 70	6	31 70
Homer	199	J. B. Salladay	143	14 30	6	20 30
Sheba	200	Jos. L. Schubert	266	26 60	6	32 60
Centralia	201	J. J. Towne	252	25 20	6	31 20
Lavely	203	C. R. Constant	173	17 30	6	23 30
Flora	204	Jno. B. Hagel, Jr	236	23 60	6	29 60
Corinthian	205		76	7 60		
Fairfield	206	H. H. Morse	257	25 70	6	31 70
Tamaroa	207	A. L. Linn	280	28 00	6	34 00
Wilmington	208	Andrew Robson	53	5 30	6	11 30
Wm. B. Warren	209	Wm. M. Greer	1	10	6	6 10
Logan	210	W. D. Gayle	156	15 60	6	21 60
Cleveland	211	Wm. K. Spiece	1	10	6	6 10
Shipman	212	Walter G. Frank	238	23 80	6	29 80
Ipava	213	Arthur Brown	203	20 30	6	26 30
Gillespie	214	J. N. English	240	24 00	6	30 00
Newton	216	Ennis Parkhurst	214	21 40	6	27 40
Mason	217	R. C. Anderson	211	21 10	6	27 10
New Salem	218	S. D. Griggs	251	25 10	6	31 10
Oakland	219	Edgar N. Carter	166	16 60	6	22 60
Mahomet	220	F. E. Bryan	141	14 10	6	20 00
Leroy	221	Wm. H. Vert	135	13 50	6	19 50
Geo. Washington	222	John Weaver	134	13 40	6	19 40
Pana	226	Harry Stanton	202	20 20	6	26 20
Columbus	227	J. E. V. Lee	250	25 00	6	31 00
Lovington	228	W. B. Shirey	168	16 80	6	22 80

REPRESENTATIVES—*Continued.*

LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Manchester	229	Sam'l R. Loar.	232	$23 20	$6	$29 20
New Haven	230	W. P. Tuley	297	29 70	6	35 70
Wyanet	231	B. L. Hudson	111	11 10	6	17 10
Farmers	232	Robert Adkins	373	37 30	6	43 30
Blandinsville	233	Geo. B. Huston	228	22 80	6	28 20
DuQuoin	234	P. W. Gunsler.	288	28 80	6	34 80
Dallas City	235	E. K. Symmonds	222	22 20	6	28 20
Charter Oak	236	Harry C. Gorin	231	23 10	6	29 10
Cairo	237	C. S. Bourniynue	365	36 50	6	42 50
Black Hawk	238	Ed. J. Tolidon	243	24 30	6	30 30
Mt. Carmel	239	R. R. Stansfield	249	24 90	6	30 90
Western Star	240	Dan G. Swannelle	128	12 80	6	18 80
Shekinah	241	Jno. Armstrong.	308	30 80	6	36 80
Galva	243	H. H. Hudson	139	13 90	6	19 90
Horicon	244	W. B. McHenry	75	7 50	4	11 50
Greenville	245	Elmer S. Tilno	248	24 80	6	30 80
El Paso	246	M. A. Adams	117	11 70	6	17 70
Rob Morris	247	Wm. S. Morrison	113	11 30	4	15 30
Golden Gate	248	Emmett Dunbar	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hibbard	249	W. I. Gillham	246	24 60	6	30 60
Robinson	250	Ralph B. Lathrop	205	20 50	6	26 50
Heyworth	251	L. T. Rutledge	137	13 70	6	19 70
Aledo	252	S. R. Amlong	176	17 60	6	23 60
Avon Harmony	253	Geo. E. Simmons	183	18 30	6	24 30
Aurora	254	John C. Raymond	37	3 70	6	9 70
Donnelson	255	W. H. Young	245	24 50	6	30 50
Warsaw	257	C. C. Crawford	248	24 80	6	30 80
Mattoon	260	Jno. A. Horn	172	17 20	6	23 20
Amon	261	E. M. Stone	139	13 90	6	19 90
Channahon	262		55	5 50		
Illinois	263	Chas. R. Kelley	150	15 00	6	21 00
Franklin Grove	264	F. M. Banker	88	8 80	6	14 80
Vermilion	265	Nathan Hall	142	14 20	6	20 20
Kingston	266	Floyd D. Kelley	265	26 50	6	32 50
La Prairie	267	Chas. R. Chinn	236	23 60	6	29 60
Paris	268	Jas. A. Shephard, Jr	160	16 00	6	22 00
Wheaton	269	Julian W Hagberg	25	2 50	6	8 50
Levi Lusk	270		92	9 20		
Blaney	271	W. H. Beckman	1	10	6	6 10
Carmi	272		28 2	28 20		
Miners	273	J. H. Grimm	165	16 50	6	22 50
Byron	274	A. Roy Mize	83	8 30	6	14 30
Milton	275	Geo. Stephenson	259	25 90	6	31 90
Elizabeth	276	Arthur Akers Miles	337	33 70	6	39 70
Accordia	277	Robt. G. Nieman	4	40	6	6 40
Jo Daviess	278	J. T. Miller	138	13 80	6	19 80
Neoga	279	C. C. Ewing	184	18 40	6	24 40
Kansas	280	R. W. Brisco	174	17 40	6	23 40
Brooklyn	282	U. Grant Dysart	82	8 20	6	14 20
Meteor	283		56	5 60		
Catlin	285	C. N. Noble	129	12 90	6	18 90
Plymouth	286	R. L. Cloud	222	22 20	6	28 20
De Soto	287	Marion Kelley	302	30 20	6	36 20
Genoa	288	O. M. Barcus	59	5 90	6	11 90
Wataga	291	A. P. Nied	155	15 50	6	21 50
Chenoa	292	Wm. A. Chapman.	102	10 20	6	16 20
Prophetstown	293	Mark A. Stowell	129	12 90	6	18 90
Pontiac	294	Richard A. Young	92	9 20	4	13 20
Dills	295	J. Karl Gordon	256	25 60	6	31 60
Quincy	296	Geo. J. Sander	263	26 30	6	32 30
Benjamin	297	Edson B. O. Dean	241	24 10	6	30 10
Wauconda	298		40	4 00		
Hinckley	301		57	5 70		
Durand	302	F. J. Lins	104	10 40	6	16 40
Raven	303	Lewis P. Voss	44	4 40	6	10 40

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LODGE	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Onarga	305	Gaylord F. Clark	85	$ 8 50	$6	$14 50
W. C. Hobbs	306	Silas Jones	131	13 10	6	19 10
T. J. Pickett	307	Geo. D. Bell	192	19 20	6	25 20
Ashlar	308	R. E. Krupf	1	10	6	6 10
Harvard	309	J. H. Crawford	62	6 20	6	12 20
Dearborn	310	W. A. Lynch	3	30	6	6 30
Kilwinning	311	Edward H. Thomas	1	10	6	6 10
Ionic	312	W. L. Allen	173	17 30	6	23 30
York	313	Albert Matterson	195	19 50	6	25 50
Palatine	314	W. C. Müller	26	2 60	6	8 60
Abraham Jonas	316	W. R. Nye	99	9 90	6	15 90
J. L. Anderson	318	Augustus F. Henning	226	22 60	6	28 60
Doric	319	W. L. Straw	164	16 40	6	22 40
Creston	320	Andrew Kerr	70	7 00	6	13 00
Dunlap	321	H. J. Ludens	124	12 40	6	18 40
Windsor	322	R. W. Turner	184	18 40	6	24 40
Orient	323	C. C. Hoye	68	6 80	4	10 80
Harrisburg	325	R. C. Davenport	306	30 60	6	36 60
Industry	327	O. E. Kinkade	215	21 50	6	27 50
Altona	330	A. L. Roby	147	14 70	6	20 70
Mt. Erie	331	John Griefzee	259	25 90	6	31 90
Tuscola	332	Jno. V. Cambridge	150	15 00	6	21 00
Tyrian	333	Asa G. Truo	185	18 50	6	24 50
Sumner	334	Wm. Dunphy	236	23 60	6	29 60
Schiller	335	Michael Endero	150	15 00	6	21 00
New Columbia	336	J. E. Carlton	364	36 40	6	42 40
Oneida	337	Jno. Young	151	15 10	6	21 10
Saline	339	Almus G. Veach	316	31 60	6	37 60
Kedron	340	J. M. Wiswell	193	19 30	6	25 30
Full Moon	341	Bind Crull	273	27 30	6	33 30
Summerfield	342	Chas. T. Lang	283	28 30	6	34 30
Wenona	344	E. S. Gillespie	108	10 80	6	16 80
Milledgeville	345	W. P. Hucker	122	12 20	6	18 20
N. D. Morse	346	R. Lee Rexroach	229	22 90	6	28 90
Sidney	347	Bert E. Lynch	137	13 70	6	19 70
Russellville	348	D. C. Allison	213	21 30	6	27 30
Sublette	349	Almer F. Jewell	93	9 30	6	15 30
Fairview	350	Lawrence B. Travas	193	19 30	6	25 30
Tarbolton	351		98	9 80		
Groveland	352	T. W. Rudd	146	14 60	6	20 60
Kinderhook	353	Wm. Hankins	270	27 00	6	33 00
Ark and Anchor	354	Floyd G. Lorton	201	20 10	6	26 10
Marine	355	Chas. Loos	256	25 60	6	31 60
Hermitage	356	W. B. Porter	262	26 20	6	32 20
Orion	358	Ernest Modeen	62	6 20	6	12 20
Blackberry	359	O. M. Smith	44	4 40	6	10 40
Princeville	360	A. H. Sloan	149	14 90	6	20 90
Douglas	361	Geo. Drasen	302	30 20	6	36 20
Noble	362	Jno. O. Henry	239	23 90	6	29 90
Horeb	363	Harry L. Kelley	163	16 30	6	22 30
Tonica	364	Benj. F. Hiltabrand	108	10 80	6	16 80
Bement	365	A. M. Totten	153	15 30	6	21 30
Arcola	366	A. L. Stivens	158	15 80	6	21 80
Oxford	367		160	16 00		
Jefferson	368	Edw. C. Polan	290	29 00	6	35 00
Newman	369	Edgar D. Morrow	166	16 60	6	22 60
Livingston	371	H. W. Bateman	74	7 40	6	13 40
Chambersburg	373	S. J. Hobbs	246	24 60	6	30 60
Shabbona	374	Geo. B. Foster	67	6 70	6	12 70
Aroma	378	E. F. Beebe	61	6 10	6	12 10
Payson	379	Jacob Hinckle	278	27 80	6	33 80
Liberty	380	E. J. Grubb	283	28 30	6	34 30
Gill	382	Thos. R. Dodsworst	223	22 30	6	28 30
LaMoille	383	H. M. Hopps	92	9 20	4	13 20
Waltham	384	Ernest R. Johnson	94	9 40	6	15 40

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Mississippi	385	W. S. Wallace	138	$13 80	$6	$19 80
Bridgeport	386	Lewis Smith	229	22 90	6	28 90
El Dara	388	Roy F. Strubinger	260	26 00	6	32 00
Kankakee	389	Christian V. Ruhle	56	5 60	6	11 60
Ashmore	390	S. A. Wright	178	17 80	6	23 80
Tolono	391	G. M. Venson	137	13 70	6	19 70
Oconee	392	J. W. Heckethorn	209	20 90	4	24 90
Blair	393	Curtis Vinson	1	10	6	6 10
Jerseyville	394	J. O. Rice	260	26 00	6	32 00
Muddy Point	396	W. H. Brimbery	183	18 30	6	24 30
Shiloh	397	John O. Andrews	80	8 00	6	14 00
Kinmundy	398	E. R. Hensley	229	22 90	6	28 90
Buda	399	Jas. Suggett	117	11 70	6	17 70
Odell	401	Wm. L. Laurie	82	8 20	6	14 20
Kishwaukee	402	H. G. Burgess	62	6 20	6	12 20
Mason City	403	H. O. Rogier	172	17 20	4	21 20
Batavia	404		38	3 80		
Ramsey	405	H. L. Haynes	219	21 90	6	27 90
Bethalto	406	Wm. S. Elliott	261	26 10	6	32 10
Stratton	408	W. E. Gasaway	166	16 60	6	22 60
Thos. J. Turner	409	Walter H. Frank	1	10	6	6 10
Mithra	410	Chas. Laner	2	20	6	6 20
Hesperia	411	Jno. A. Asserson	1	10	6	6 10
Bollen	412	Jno. C. Myer	137	13 70	6	19 70
Evening Star	414	Edw. DeGunther	109	10 90	6	16 90
Lawn Ridge	415	Grant Bundick	163	16 30	6	22 30
Paxton	416	Nels Larson	103	10 30	6	16 30
Marseilles	417	E. R. Spencer	77	7 70	6	13 70
Freeburg	418	Cyrus A. Whitaker	303	30 30	6	36 30
Reynoldsburg	419	H C McCoy	334	33 40	6	39 40
Oregon	420	Clifford E. Peebles	99	9 90	6	15 90
Washburn	421	Fred C. Barnes	127	12 70	6	18 70
Landmark	422	Jno. Hosbury	4	4 00	6	10 00
Lanark	423	C. E. Olmstead	120	12 00	6	18 00
Exeter	424		232	23 20		
Scottville	426	W. H. Vanbebber	223	22 30	6	28 30
Red Bud	427	Geo. G. Gucker	318	31 80	6	37 80
Sunbeam	428	E. F. Thurrow	52	5 20	6	11 20
Chebanse	429		64	6 40		
Kendrick	430	D. R. Peters	248	24 80	6	30 80
Summit	431	C. B. Knight	177	17 70	6	23 70
Murrayville	432	Ralph R. Jones	227	22 70	6	28 70
Annawan	433	H. E. Whitted	152	15 20	6	21 20
Makanda	434	Harry R. Kow	316	31 60	6	37 60
Philo	436	Frederic H. Schneyler	152	15 20	6	21 60
Chicago	437	Harry Friedman	1	10	6	6 10
Camargo	440	Fred Ebel	156	15 60	6	21 60
Sparland	441	N. W. Macon	130	13 00	6	19 00
Casey	442	Harry C. Leggetts	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hamshire	443		51	5 10		
Cave-in-Rock	444	C. A. O'Kerson	333	33 30	6	39 30
Chesterfield	445	W. J. Finch	233	23 30	6	29 30
Watseka	446	Geo. A. Lace	77	7 70	6	13 70
S. D. Monroe	447	E. H. Mills	217	21 70	6	27 70
Yates City	448	J. A. McLaughlin	164	16 40	6	22 40
Mendon	449	Chas. W. Wright	263	26 30	6	32 30
Loami	450	C. S. Park	199	19 90	6	25 90
Bromwell	451	F. W. Baxmeyer	193	19 30	6	25 30
New Hartford	453	Marcellus Mays	262	26 20	6	32 20
Maroa	454	C. F. Crum	157	15 70	6	21 70
Irving	455	C. F. Lenus	233	23 30	6	29 30
Nokomis	456	G. H. Webster	224	22 40	6	28 40
Blazing Star	458	R. J. Sneed	312	31 20	6	37 20
Jeffersonville	460	J. C. Bestow	251	25 10	6	31 10
Plainview	461	L. Lemay	234	23 40	6	29 40

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVES	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Tremont	462	Frank A. Blue	153	$15 30	$6	$21 30
Palmyra	463	Fred L. Chiles	221	22 10	6	28 10
Denver	464	J. W. Fleming	247	24 70	6	30 70
Huntsville	465	T. E. Bilderbuck	234	23 40	6	29 40
Cobden	466	H. D. Lawrence	323	32 30	6	38 30
South Macon	467	Albert Snyder	180	18 00	6	24 00
Cheney's Grove	468	T. W. Mixon	118	11 80	6	17 80
McLean	469	S. B. VanNess	141	14 10	6	20 10
Rantoul	470	Nate Reed	114	11 40	6	17 40
Kendall	471	Paul L. Hoadley	49	4 90	6	10 90
Amity	472	J. D. Wells	30	3 00	6	9 00
Gordon	473	Edw. R. Davis	258	25 80	6	31 80
Columbia	474	F. W. Weinel	295	29 50	6	35 50
Walshville	475	Able Fulton Minor	239	23 90	6	29 90
Manito	476	Rudolph H. Rohlfs	164	16 40	6	22 40
Rutland	477	H. S. Baer	113	11 30	4	17 30
Pleiades	478	Frank E. Hodek	3	3 00	6	9 00
Wyoming	479	W. J. Feaster	137	13 70	6	19 70
Momence	481	M. A. Searls	52	5 20	6	11 20
Lexington	482	Eber E. Mahon	110	11 00	6	17 00
Edgewood	484	Wilbur Bartley	214	21 40	6	27 40
Xenia	485		244	24 40		
Bowen	486	Chas. Raekerfield	244	24 40	6	30 40
Andrew Jackson	487	Geo. W. Willard	326	32 60	6	38 60
Clay City	488	C. W. Evans	242	24 20	6	30 20
Cooper	489	W. A. Jones	212	21 20	6	27 20
Shannon	490	E. H. Miller	121	12 10	6	18 10
Martin	491	Louis Heller	181	18 10	6	24 10
Libertyville	492	Julius A. Treftow	36	3 60	6	9 60
Tower Hill	493	E. E. White	204	20 40	6	26 40
Stone Fort	495		318	31 80		
Colchester	496	Richard H. Curnow	210	21 00	6	27 00
Alma	497	Thos. Robertson	305	30 50	6	36 50
Murphysboro	498	J. R. Hathaway	316	31 60	6	37 60
St. Pauls	500	Ernest White	185	18 50	6	24 50
Stark	501	Joseph G. Reed	145	14 50	6	20 50
Woodhull	502	G. D. Drennan	153	15 30	6	21 30
Odin	503	Horace V. Toulme	244	24 40	6	30 40
East St. Louis	504	Chas. L. Davis	281	28 10	6	34 10
Meridian Sun	505	John A. Sechler	74	7 40	6	13 40
O. H. Miner	506	Rich'd F. Karr	76	7 60	6	13 60
Home	508	Robt. O. Cantleton	3	30	6	6 30
Parkersburg	509	H. D. Talley	242	24 20	6	30 20
J. D. Moody	510	Noble S. Songer	258	25 80	6	31 80
Wade-Barney	512	E. R. McKibben	126	12 60	6	18 60
Bradford	514	E. H. Phenix	128	12 80	6	18 80
Andalusia	516	Harry W. Titterington	178	17 80	6	23 80
Litchfield	517	F. C. Blackwelder	231	23 10	6	29 10
Abraham Lincoln	518	G. O. Pafie	185	18 50	6	24 50
Roseville	519	A. S. Halman	191	19 10	6	25 10
Anna	520	Robt. L. Shannon	329	32 90	6	38 90
Illiopolis	521	H. C. Roberts	186	18 60	6	24 60
Monitor	522		37	3 70		
Chatham	523	E. T. Chaun	194	19 40	6	25 40
Evans	524	O. C. Wehrstedt	12	1 20	6	7 20
Delia	525		213	21 30		
Covenant	526	Wm. H. Thompson	1	10	6	6 10
Rossville	527		105	10 50		
Minooka	528	R. C. Churchill	51	5 10	4	9 10
Adams	529	M. W. Bowker	283	28 30	6	34 30
Maquon	530	J. E. Shearer	172	17 20	6	23 20
Ashton	531	Samuel T. Zeller, Jr	84	8 40	6	14 40
Seneca	532	Fred'r'k N. Whittaker	72	7 20	6	13 20
Altamont	533	N. L. Brown	211	21 10	6	27 10
Cuba	534	Guy King	191	19 10	6	25 10

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Sherman	535	G. N. Wayne	164	$16 40	$6	$22 40
Plainfield	536		48	4 80		
J. R. Gorin	537	Wm. Lee Roughton	142	14 20	6	20 20
Lockport	538	M. E. King	33	3 30	6	9 30
Chatsworth	539	S. S. Hitch	97	9 70	6	15 70
Oak Park	540	John Wm. Grammett	9	90	6	6 90
Stewardson	541	R. E. Varis	195	19 50	6	25 50
Towanda	542	Samuel Marsh	118	11 80	6	17 80
Cordova	543	Howard F. Reeves	153	15 30	4	19 30
Virginia	544	J. C. Chittick	210	21 00	6	27 00
Valley	547		176	17 60		
Sharon	550	G. E. Welsh	123	12 30	6	18 30
Long Point	552	B. F. Colehower	103	10 30	6	16 30
Plum River	554	Wm. Glanville	126	12 60	6	18 60
Humboldt	555	Harry L. Arnold	84	8 40	6	14 40
Dawson	556	H. S. Wiley	196	19 60	6	25 60
Lessing	557	Adolph Steidle	2	20	6	6 20
Leland	558	J. M. Reynolds	66	6 60	6	12 60
Thomson	559	A. P. Atherton	143	14 30	6	20 30
Madison	560	Oscar Latowsky	258	25 80	6	31 80
Trinity	562	E. T Snyder	359	35 90	6	41 90
Winslow	564	A. M Stiles	133	13 30	6	19 30
Pleasant Hill	565	Jno R. Gallaway	266	26 60	6	32 60
Albany	566	H. R. Senior	144	14 40	6	20 40
Frankfort	567	A. J. Darris	314	31 40	6	37 40
Time	569	C. E. Bagby	260	26 00	6	32 00
Jacksonville	570	C. C. Phelps	215	21 50	6	27 50
Bardolph	572	Chas. L. Harris	197	19 70	6	25 70
Gardner	573		65	6 50		
Pera	574	M. H. Shinker	108	10 80	6	16 80
Capron	575	Willis C Truman	70	7 00	6	13 00
O'Fallon	576	W. A. Noenigstein	291	29 10	6	35 10
Viola	577	A A. Bailey	167	16 70	6	22 70
Praire City	578	John Hillyer	209	20 90	6	26 90
HazelDell	580	Elmer Ritter	198	19 80	6	25 80
Dongola	581	R. S. Dillon	338	33 80	6	39 80
Shirley	582	B. Frank Moberly	132	13 20	6	19 20
Highland	583	B D. Tibbetts	267	26 70	6	32 70
Vesper	584	Fred T. DuVon	163	16 30	6	22 30
Fisher	585	J. W. Harman	194	19 40	6	25 40
Princeton	587	Thomas P. Gunning	104	10 40	6	16 40
Troy	588	James Rawson	278	27 80	6	33 80
Fairmount	590	Ransom Bloomer	137	13 70	6	19 70
Gilman	591	C. H. Condit	81	8 10	6	14 10
Fieldon	592	John T. Brown	272	27 20	6	33 20
Miles Hart	595		198	19 80		
Cerro Gordo	600	P. H. Dahson	163	16 30	6	22 30
Farina	601	C. E. Wenck	223	22 30	6	28 30
Watson	602	J. C. Trumble	206	20 60	6	26 60
Clark	603	I. W. Winters	186	18 60	6	24 60
Hebron	604	W. M. Millar	74	7 40	6	13 40
Streator	607	Ben R. Hall	94	9 40	6	15 40
Piper	608	Lester F. Somers	91	9 10	6	15 10
Sheldon	609	Wm. A. Ward	85	8 50	6	14 50
Union Park	610	Ed'wd J. Hunt	3	30	6	6 30
Lincoln Park	611	John M. Bryant	2	20	6	6 20
Rock River	612	Frank Cubitt	110	11 00	6	17 00
Patoka	613	Geo. N. Pope	247	24 70	6	30 70
Forest	614		93	9 30		
Wadley	616	Wm. Fairlee	227	22 70	6	28 70
Good Hope	617	Frank O. Allshouse	218	21 80	6	27 80
Basco	618	Albert Naegelin	244	24 40	6	30 40
New Hope	620	W. D. Jennings	197	19 70	6	25 70
Hopedale	622	H. F. Flenniken	149	14 90	6	20 90
Locust	623	Geo. E. Ritscher	210	21 00	6	27 00

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Union	627	Alfred E. Brooks	339	$33 90	$6	$39 90
Tuscan	630	Eldred O. Hale	305	30 50	6	36 50
Norton	631	Nelson Canham	80	8 00	6	14 00
Ridge Farm	632	C. M. Harrold	140	14 00	6	20 00
E. F. W. Ellis	633	Jas. Skinner	87	8 70	6	14 70
Buckley	634	Elwin Hall	93	9 30	6	15 30
Rochester	635	J. D. Hunter	193	19 30	6	25 30
Peotone	636	H. C. Reser	40	4 00	6	10 00
Keystone	639	Geo. P. Allmendinger	2	20	6	6 20
Comet	641	M. H. Hand	144	14 40	6	20 40
Apollo	642	Edward A. Kuelimsteadt.	3	30	6	6 30
D. C. Cregier	643	Albert Betz	2	20	6	6 20
Oblong City	644	Wm. N. Dicky	215	21 50	6	27 50
San Jose	645	Wm. Hullinger	163	16 30	6	22 30
Somonauk	646	D. F. Stevens	59	5 90	6	11 90
Blueville	647	Orville D. Clark	202	20 20	6	26 20
Camden	648	Everett Cady, Jr	240	24 00	6	30 00
Atwood	651	J. I. A. Edmonson	160	16 00	4	20 00
Greenview	653	Jas. O. McKee	180	18 00	6	24 00
Yorktown	655	Jesse VanBibber	121	12 10	6	18 10
Mozart	656	Henry Reimann	126	12 60	6	18 60
Lafayette	657	C. D. Gardiner	333	33 30	6	39 30
Rock Island	658	Herbert B. Hayden	164	16 40	6	22 40
Lambert	659	W. W. Lewis	263	26 30	6	32 30
Grand Chain	660	A. W. Farr	353	35 30	6	41 30
South Park	662	Chas. H. VanAllin	6	60	6	6 60
Mayo	664	Jas. A. McCorkle.	223	22 30	6	28 30
Greenland	665	J. F. Jennings	214	21 40	6	27 40
Crawford	666	James F. Athey	214	21 40	6	27 40
Erie	667	S. A. Eddy	133	13 30	6	19 90
Burnt Prairie	668	Ed R. Martin	272	27 20	6	33 20
Herder	669	Chas. Veitzen	3	30	6	6 30
Fillmore	670	Chas. H. Rameyn	234	23 40	6	29 40
Eddyville	672	H. G. Maynor	333	33 30	6	39 30
Normal	673	H. G. McCormick	124	12 40	6	18 40
Waldeck	674	George Wetzel	4	40	6	6 40
Pawnee	675	Fred C. Kincaid	203	20 30	6	26 30
A. O. Fay	676	Fred R. Moon	23	2 30	6	8 30
Enfield	677	John N. Wilson	277	27 70	6	33 70
Illinois City	679	M. M. Marquis	189	18 90	6	24 90
Clement	680	C. E Peterson	171	17 10	6	23 10
Morrisonville	681	Jno. M. Becker	211	21 10	6	27 10
Blue Mound	682	C. L. Montgomery	187	18 70	6	24 70
Burnside	683	F. S. Jackson	225	22 50	6	28 50
Galatia	684	Jno. F. Ryan	307	30 70	6	36 70
Rio	685	E. J. Tye	163	16 30	6	22 30
Garfield	686	Harry C. Stiles	5	50	6	6 50
Orangeville	687	Harry C. Snyder	126	12 60	6	18 60
Clifton	688	Peter Wright	69	6 90	6	12 90
Englewood	690	Harry B. Holmes	8	80	6	14 80
Iola	691	Eli F. Patrick	221	22 10	6	28 10
Raymond	692	Alva W. Jones	220	22 00	6	28 00
Herrin's Prairie	693	Hiram E. Fowler	321	32 10	6	38 10
Shiloh Hill	695	H. Mohlenbrack	311	31 10	6	37 10
Belle Rive	696	R. O. Davenport	293	29 30	6	35 30
Richard Cole	697	Henry Flick	4	40	6	6 40
Hutton	698	C. W. McMorris.	193	19 30	6	25 30
Pleasant Plains	700		201	20 10		
Temple Hill	701	Elbert Yates	367	36 70	6	42 70
Alexandria	702	E. L. Beal	172	17 20	6	23 20
Braidwood	704	A. H. Nelson	57	5 70	6	11 70
Ewing	705	J. W. Hill	298	29 80	6	35 80
Joppa	706	H. O. Knowles.	208	20 80	6	26 80
Star	709	A. L. Spradling	99	9 90	6	15 90
Farmer City	710	I. E. Houseman	130	13 00	6	19 00

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Providence	711	John Groenier	10	$1 00	$6	$ 7 00
Collinsville	712	W. C. Hadley	286	28 60	6	34 60
Johnsonville	713	W. M. Alvis	252	25 20	6	31 20
Newton	714		119	11 90		
Elvaston	715	G. R. Pilkington	237	23 70	6	29 70
Calumet	716	Wm. M. Hartzel	16	1 60	6	7 60
Arcana	717	Ed'w'd Anderson	1	10	6	6 10
May	718	J. A. Graham	285	28 50	6	34 50
Chapel Hill	719	T. J. Throgmorton, Jr.	323	32 30	6	38 30
Rome	721	J. R. Walker	271	27 10	6	33 10
Walnut	722	H. G. Keigwin	110	11 00	6	17 00
Omaha	723	Rola Eubanks	292	29 20	6	35 20
Chandlerville	724	Wm. W. Mullen	207	20 70	6	26 70
Rankin	725	Walter L. Ranken	111	11 10	6	17 10
Golden Rule	726	Paul J. Kettner	1	10	6	6 10
Raritan	727	J. E. Wells	201	20 10	6	26 10
Waterman	728	W. T. Willberger	62	6 20	4	10 20
Lake Creek	729	Gordon Pillow	320	32 00	6	38 00
Eldorado	730	D. L. Wood	297	29 70	6	35 70
Harbor	731	Robert S. Laidlow	12	1 20	6	7 20
Carman	732	W. C. Babcock	212	21 20	6	27 20
Gibson	733	C. W. Knapp	110	11 00	6	17 00
Morning Star	734	A. Lowings	181	18 10	6	24 10
Sheridan	735	Robert Knapp	64	6 40	6	12 40
Arrowsmith	737	R. L. Eldredge	125	12 50	6	18 50
Saunemin	738		83	8 30		
Lakeside	739	Robert Elmer Nixon	3	30	6	6 30
New Holland	741	Andrew Peters	168	16 80	6	22 80
Danvers	742	Edwin S. Sloane	136	13 60	6	19 60
Scott Land	743	T. Frank Jennings	151	15 10	6	21 10
Goode	744	L. G. Payne	315	31 50	6	37 50
Winnebago	745	H. J. Waterstreet	94	9 40	6	15 40
Weldon	746	C. L. Roben	150	15 00	6	21 00
Centennial	747	C F. VanVent	142	14 20	6	20 20
Alta	748	Wm. C. Chambin	155	15 50	6	21 50
Akin	749	Geo. H. Flanagan	316	31 60	6	37 60
Lyndon	750	Walter Austin	123	12 30	6	18 30
Lounsbury	751	Emil E. Myers	32	3 20	6	9 20
Allendale	752	A. L. Robinson	241	24 10	6	30 10
Ogden	754	Henry V. Cardiff	144	14 40	6	20 40
Pre-emption	755	P. C. Freytag	185	18 50	6	24 50
Hardinsville	756	Irwin G. Pringle	218	21 80	6	27 80
Verona	757	Walker Kilmer	75	7 50	6	13 50
Mystic Star	758	George M. Heath	8	80	6	6 80
Orel	759	H. H. Clark	270	27 00	6	33 00
Sibley	761	Elmer D. Cameron	105	10 50	6	16 50
Van Meter	762	Joe Johnson	199	19 90	6	25 90
Crete	763	J. E. Peck	30	3 00	6	9 00
Sullivan	764	H. M. Butler	176	17 60	6	23 60
Palace	765	Lewis Peckett	12	1 20	6	7 20
Littleton	766	Lorin L. Homey	236	23 60	6	29 60
Triluminar	767	Victor B. Clevenger	12	1 20	6	7 20
Mizpah	768	C. S. Randall	5	50	6	6 50
St. Elmo	769	J. W. Arnold	217	21 70	6	27 70
LaGrange	770	R. O. Bird	15	1 50	6	7 50
Bay City	771	I. S. Lillie	384	38 40	6	44 40
New Burnside	772	Robert W. Alsbrook	323	32 30	6	38 30
Mansfield	773		131	13 10		
Lake View	774	John J. Lossahn	5	50	6	6 50
Grand Crossing	776	G F Barton	10	1 00	6	7 00
Ravenswood	777	Howard E. Black	6	60	6	6 60
Gurney	778	A. F. Hazel	355	35 50	6	41 50
Wright's Grove	779	W. M. Wilkinson	5	50	6	6 50
Siloam	780	Wm. G. Houghton	4	40	6	6 40
Potomac	782	E. K. Duncan	121	12 10	6	18 10

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LODGE.	NO	REPRESENTATIVE	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem.	Total
Constantia	783	Edmund Weber	1	$ 10	$6	$ 6 10
Beacon Light	784	E. N. Chesterman	11	1 10	6	7 10
Riverton Union	786	J. L. Parsons	191	19 10	6	25 10
Morris	787	Corry M. Fike	304	30 40	6	36 40
Lerna	788	W. H. Williams	178	17 80	6	23 80
Auburn Park	789	T. H. Manchu	8	80	6	6 80
Pittsfield	790	O. D. Lowe	254	25 40	6	31 40
Broadlands	791	T. A. Dicks	155	15 50	6	21 50
Calhoun	792	Wm. L. Mattoy	272	27 20	6	33 20
A. T. Darrah	793	J. L Turnby	165	16 50	6	22 50
Tadmor	794	Wm. J. McDaniel	329	32 90	6	38 90
Myrtle	795		7	70		
E. M. Husted	796	W. A. Jolly	237	23 70	6	29 70
Normal Park	797	Arthur N. Evans	7	70	6	6 70
Sidell	798	J. A. Seybold	146	14 60	6	20 60
Colfax	799	John J. Ove	119	11 90	6	17 90
Kenwood	800	Charles S. Barker	4	40	6	6 40
Sangamon	801	R. M. Mil er	124	12 40	4	16 40
Williamson	802	Geo. Tregoning	317	31 70	6	37 70
Neponset	803	Chas. L. Higgins	123	12 30	6	18 30
Kensington	804	Chas. Bakkers	13	1 30	6	7 30
S. M. Dalzell	805	Thos. Walkins	104	10 40	6	16 40
Nebo	806	R. C. Pollock	261	26 10	6	32 10
Royal	807	J. H. Vise	300	30 00	4	34 00
Cornland	808	E. A. Haynes	172	17 20	6	23 20
Gillham	809	Daniel R. Elam	252	25 20	6	31 20
Tracy	810	Fred E. Reynolds	13	1 30	6	7 30
Melvin	811	H. N. Boshell	100	10 00	6	16 00
De Land	812	R. B. Moody	150	15 00	6	21 00
Humboldt Park	813	John C. Grotzinger	5	50	6	6 50
Ohio	814	A. C. Ruff	103	10 30	6	16 30
Lawn	815	Archibald G. Conn	8	80	6	6 80
Ridgway	816	Moses M. Logan	299	29 90	6	35 90
Creal Springs	817	E. E. Leach	336	33 60	6	39 60
Ben Hur	818	L. B. Olson	7	70	6	6 70
Columbian	819		5	50		
Henderson	820	Perry Wene	157	15 70	6	21 70
New Canton	821	S. A. Dutcher	282	28 20	6	34 20
Belknap	822	W. T. Laughlin	346	34 60	6	40 60
Pearl	823	O. B. Mitchell	115	11 50	6	17 50
Grove	824	T. F. Leach	21	2 10	6	8 10
Arthur	825	Jas. Lawrence	162	16 20	6	22 20
Mazon	826		71	7 10		
Sequoit	827	James H. Reading	55	5 50	6	11 50
Edgar	829	G. B. Boswell	154	15 40	6	21 40
Rockport	830	B. B. Horton	300	30 00	6	36 00
Findlay	831	C. W. Francisco	205	20 50	6	26 50
Magic City	832	Roderick B. Harwood	23	2 30	6	8 30
Dean	833	Jerome F. Hayes	321	32 10	6	38 10
Toledo	834	John W. Grisom	187	18 70	6	24 70
Triple	835	Wm. H. Schildmon	278	27 80	6	33 80
Windsor Park	836	P J. C. Fieldse	7	70	6	6 70
Hindsboro	837	Oler Longley	168	16 80	6	22 80
Charity	838		197	19 70	6	
Berwyn	839	Geo C. Diver	10	1 00	6	7 00
Alto Pass	840	Mitchell Fenill	332	33 20	6	39 20
Woodlawn Park	841	Jas. K. Lambert	8	80	6	6 80
Fides	842	E. A. Smith	17	1 70	4	5 70
Park Lodge	843		10	1 00		
Hopewell	844		126	12 60		
Martinton	845	Otto Gotlieb Mack	68	6 80	6	12 80
Bluffs	846	E. D Beird	232	23 20	6	29 20
Stronghurst	847	Ralph Butter	213	21 30	6	27 30
London	848	Elmer E. Sampson	183	18 30	6	24 30
Palestine	849	E. R. Haskett	212	21 20	6	27 20

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATIVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Diem.	Total.....
Austin	850	J. E. Nelson	7	$ 70	$6	$6 70
Chicago Heights	851	James Cropper	27	2 70	6	8 70
Gothic	852	H. C. Windt	281	28 10	6	34 10
Latham	853	Wm. T. Phillips	185	18 50	6	24 50
Brighton Park	854	Walter E. Feet	6	60	6	6 60
King Oscar	855	Nels O. Johnson	12	1 20	6	7 20
West Gate	856	Spencer B. Waldron	271	27 10	6	33 10
Boyd D	857	M. P. Murphy	67	6 70	6	12 70
Utica	858	Jas. Sinder	94	9 40	6	15 40
Apple River	859	M. J. Tyson	144	14 40	4	18 40
Metropolitan	860	J. C. Jones	5	50	6	6 50
Sorento	861	C. F. Gipson	248	24 80	6	30 80
Riverside	862	Robert C. Dynnforth	12	1 20	6	7 20
St. Andrews	863	A. Davis	1	10	6	6 10
Olympia	864	Alexander W. Burt	4	40	6	6 40
St. Cecilia	865	Edgar Zimmerman	1	10	6	6 10
West Salem	866	Edwin L. Clodfelter	248	24 80	6	30 80
Chadwick	867	H. L Spealmon	130	13 00	6	19 00
Cornell	868	P. Hapner	105	10 50	6	16 50
Maywood	869	Hugh Muir	7	71	6	6 70
Lostant	870	Alfred H. Bell	113	11 30	6	17 30
Argenta	871	S O. Hibrant	163	16 30	6	22 30
Free Will	872	Delbert Meade	132	13 20	6	19 20
Standard	873	D. A. Smalley	1	10	6	6 10
Nifong	874	W. A. Solomon	215	21 50	6	27 50
Cornerstone	875	Chas. Cunnard	1	10	6	6 10
William McKinley	876	Martin C. Olson	2	20	6	6 20
Granite City	877	Fred J. Jorden	275	27 50	4	31 50
Equity	878	Ramus Hausen	4	40	6	6 40
Composite	879	O. C. Tennart	4	40	6	6 40
John B. Sherman	880	A. C. Dyckman	6	60	6	6 60
Marissa	881	C. Beckmann	318	31 80	6	37 80
Boulevard	882	P. Johnson	4	40	6	6 40
Wheeler	883	Phillip Mason	210	21 00	4	25 00
Bethany	884	John Sampley	193	19 30	6	25 30
Villa Grove	885	Frank J. England	145	14 50	6	20 50
Hooppole	886	Chas. Lorenzen	152	15 20	6	21 20
Pyramid	887	M. E. Bundy	18	1 80	6	7 80
Damascus	888	Robert A. Anderson	8	80	6	6 80
America	889	Lew W. Webb	1	10	6	6 10
Des Plaines	890	Herman Haas	25	2 50	4	6 50
Logan Square	891	Fred A. Olsen	4	40	6	6 40
Constellation	892		4	40		
Loraine	893	G. W. Thompson	285	28 50	6	34 50
Utopia	894	Wm. E. Summer	4	40	6	6 40
Crescent	895	Sam Wohl	8	80	6	6 80
Kosmos	896	R. G. Lippert	6	60	6	6 60
Ogden Park	897	Julius S. Blackney	9	90	6	6 90
Silvis	898	A. C. Hausen	162	16 20	4	20 20
Park Manor	899	A. E. Kinkead	8	80	6	6 80
Carnation	900	L. V. Gustin	4	40	4	4 40
Edgewater	901	Chas. J. Weiskopf	9	90	6	6 90
Alto	902	Andrew O. Hill	77	7 70	6	13 70
Elkhart	903	Z. T. Taylor	169	16 90	6	22 90
Carlock	904	Adam Clark Semple	203	20 30	6	26 30
Hanover	905	John J. Miller	158	15 80	6	21 80
Coffeen	906	O. M. Denton	228	22 80	6	28 80
Ancient Craft	907	Leo. Michael	8	80	6	6 80
Gil. W. Barnard	908	Jas. M. Lillie	10	1 00	6	7 00
Bee Hive	909	M. A Forman	6	60	6	6 60
Hull	910	E. L. Lawrence	303	30 30	6	36 30
Bellflower	911	Arthur I. Gooch	126	12 60	6	18 60
Stellar	912	H B. Fox	236	23 60	6	29 60
Aa on	913	Walter William Lackey	6	60	6	6 60
Republic	914	Oscar C. Haywood	6	60	6	6 60

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LODGE.	NO.	REPRESENTATVE.	Miles.....	Mileage...	Per Delm.	Total.....
Jackson Park	915	John F. Brown	6	$0 60	$6	$ 6 60
Welcome	916	Edward A. St. John	1	10	6	6 10
Concord	917	A. M. Hooper	6	60	6	6 60
Sesser	918	R. D. Webb	284	28 40		34 40
Elwood	919	J. C. Beatten	46	4 60	6	10 60
Cottonwood	920	D. A. Bryant	295	29 50	6	35 50
Avondale	921	David Frank Shogren	7	70	6	6 70
Compass	922	John Mutter	5	50	6	6 50
East Gate	923	Ben D. Mayer	1	10	6	6 10
Banner Blue	924	Robert Wm. Starr	8	80	6	6 80
Moienna	925	C. A. French	270	27 00	6	33 00
Veritas	926	R. Tennyson Derby	3	30	6	6 30
Candida	927	Rolla R. Longeneker	1	10	6	6 10
Grant Park	928	Wm. Chas. Unruh	55	5 50	6	11 60
Ashland	929	W. D. Harding	200	20 00	6	26 00
Jos. Robbins	930	Frank Nelson	150	15 00	6	21 00
Wilmette	931	W. D. Matthews	15	1 50	6	7 50
Sandoval	932	L. C. Ruby	248	24 80	6	30 80
Manlius	933	J. Lester Martin	130	13 00	6	19 00
Hinsdale	934	Wm. Lewis Wilson	17	1 70	6	7 70
La Moine	935		237	23 70		
Rock Falls	936	L. R. McMillen	125	12 50	6	18 50
North Shore	937	James F. C. Combs	6	60	6	6 60
Circle	938	Louis Kroe	6	60	6	6 60
Table Grove	939	Wm. T. Foster	212	21 20	6	27 20
Pearl	940	F. W. Thurmon	252	25 20	4	39 20
Elmhurst	941	John L. Greaves	16	1 60	6	7 60
Maple Park	942	Harrison G. Gerlach	40	4 00	6	10 00
Bohemia	943	Chas. B. Poolich	8	80	6	6 80
John C. Smith	944	Louis Steinberg	2	20	6	6 20
Buffalo	945	Olive McDaniel	198	19 80	6	25 80
Joy	946	Orland Brown	171	17 10	6	23 10
Kenmore	947	Albert T. Maul	8	80	6	6 80
R. F. Casey	948	Omer V. Cummins	269	26 90	6	32 90
Justice	949	Aaron C. Korthen	4	40	5	6 40

All of which is fraternally submitted.

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1843	*Alexander Dunlap	*Levi Lusk	*William Hodge	*Henry Prather	Philip Coffman	Wm. B Warren
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1856	*James H. Hibbard	*Jas V. Z. Blaney	*Harrison Dills	*Fergus M Blair	Wm. McMurtry	Harmon G.Reynolds
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1863	*Thomas J. Turner	*Jerome R. Gorin	*H. P. H. Bromwell	Edwin F. Babcock	*Harrison Dills	Harmon G Reynolds
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1866	*Jerome R. Gorin	*Nathan W. Huntley	Charles Fisher	*Horace Hayward	Harrison Dills	Harmon G.Reynolds
1867	Jerome R. Gorin	*Charles Fisher	*DeWitt C. Cregier	*James A. Hawley	Harrison Dills	Harmon G.Reynolds

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1868	*Harmon G. Reynolds	*DeWitt C. Cregier...	*James A. Hawley...	*Geo. E. Lounsbury .	*Harrison Dills	*Orlin H. Miner.....
1869	Harmon G. Reynolds	DeWitt C. Cregier...	*James A. Hawley...	Geo. E. Lounsbury .	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner.....
1870	*DeWitt C. Cregier..	*James A. Hawley...	*Geo. E. Lounsbury .	*James C. Luckey....	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner.....
1871	DeWitt C. Cregier..	James A. Hawley..	Geo. E. Lounsbury	*Joseph Robbins.....	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner.....
1872	*James A. Hawley...	*Geo. E. Lounsbury .	Joseph Robbins.....	Wm. J. A. DeLancey.	Harrison Dills	Orlin H. Miner.....
1873	James A. Hawley..	Geo. E. Lounsbury .	Joseph Robbins.....	Wm. J. A. DeLancey.	Harrison Dills	†John F. Burrill.....
1874	*Geo. E. Lounsbury .	Joseph Robbins.....	Wm. J. A. DeLancey.	Henry E. Hamilton..	Harrison Dills	John F. Burrill.....
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1876	*Joseph Robbins.....	*Wm. J. A. DeLancey	Henry E. Hamilton..	Rev. William H. Scott	*Archibald A. Glenn.	John F. Burrill
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1881	Rev. William H. Scott	Daniel M. Browning.	John R. Thomas	Henry C. Cleaveland	Wiley M. Egan.....	*Loyal L. Munn.....
1882	*Daniel M. Browning.	John R. Thomas	*Henry C. Cleaveland	*Alex. T. Darrah.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1883	Daniel M. Browning.	John R. Thomas	*Alex. T. Darrah.....	*John C. Smith.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1884	John R. Thomas	*Alex. T. Darrah.....	John C. Smith.....	John M. Pearson.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1885	*Alex. T. Darrah.....	John C. Smith.....	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1886	Alex. T. Darrah.....	John C. Smith.....	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1887	John C. Smith.....	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard. .	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1888	John C. Smith.....	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard...	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1889	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1890	John M. Pearson.....	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1891	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard....	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1892	Monroe C. Crawford.	Leroy A. Goddard....	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	Loyal L. Munn.....
1893	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook.....	C. F. Hitchcock.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	*J. H. C. Dill.....
1894	Leroy A. Goddard...	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook.....	C. F. Hitchcock.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1895	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock.....	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1896	Owen Scott.....	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock.....	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1897	Edward Cook	C. F. Hitchcock.....	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wm. B. Wright.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1898	Edward Cook.....	C. F. Hitchcock	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wm. B. Wright.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1899	Chas. F. Hitchcock..	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wm. B. Wright.....	Chester E. Allen.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1900	Chas. F. Hitchcock..	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen.....	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1901	Geo. M. Moulton. ..	Wm. B. Wright.....	Chester E. Allen .. .	Alexander H. Bell...	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1902	Geo. M. Moulton.....	Wm. B. Wright	Chester E. Allen	Alexander H. Bell...	Wiley M. Egan.....	J. H. C. Dill.....
1903	Wm. B. Wright.....	Chester E. Allen.....	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley.....	Leroy A. Goddard...	J. H. C. Dill.....
1904	Wm. B. Wrlght.	Chester E. Allen.....	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley.....	Leroy A. Goddard...	J. H. C. Dill.....
1905	Chester E. Allen.....	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley.	D. D. Darrah.....	Leroy A. Goddard...	J. H. C. Dill.....
1906	Chester E. Allen.....	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley.....	D. D. Darrah.....	Leroy A. Goddard...	Isaac Cutter.....
1907	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley	D. D. Darrah.....	H. T. Burnap	Leroy A. Goddard...	Isaac Cutter.....
1908	Alexander H. Bell...	A. B. Ashley....	D. D. Darrah	H. T. Burnap.....	Leroy A. Goddard ..	Isaac Cutter
1909	A. B. Ashley.....	D. D. Darrah	H. T. Burnap.....	Ralph H. Wheeler...	Leroy A. Goddard ..	Isaac Cutter
1910	A. B. Ashley..	D. D. Darrah.....	H. T. Burnap....	Ralph H. Wheeler ..	Leroy A. Goddard ..	Isaac Cutter
1911	D. D. Darrah.....	H. T. Burnap.....	Ralph H. Wheeler...	A. H. Scrogin.....	Leroy A. Goddard..	Isaac Cutter.....
1912	D. D. Darrah.....	H. T. Burnap.....	Ralph H. Wheeler...	A. H. Scrogin	Leroy A. Goddard...	Isaac Cutter.....

*Deceased.

†Expelled.

APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ILLINOIS.

	GRAND CHAPLAIN.	GRAND ORATOR.	DEPUTY GRAND SECY.	GRAND PURSUIVANT.	W. GRAND MARSHAL.	GRAND STANDARD BEARER.	GRAND SWORD BEARER.
1840	Rev. H. W. Osborn*	S. A. Douglas*	W. D. McCann*	John Gregory*	S. W. Lucas*	L. Griffing*	
1841	F. A. McNeill*	James Shields*	W. D. McCann	John Gregory	A. C. Dixon*	M. Doyle*	
1842	F. A. McNeill	J. H. Matheny*	Edward Jones*	John Gregory	A. C. Dixon	J. P. Swisier*	
1843	G. A. Patterson*	H. S. Cooley*	Adam Dunlap*	S. W. Lucas	P. Underwood*	J. P. Swisler	
1844	Rev. Chas. Howard*	R. E. Smith*	Adam Dunlap	A. V. Putman	Mathew Stacy*	William Lavely*	
1845	Rev. Chas. V. Kelly*	William Stuart*	Chas. H. Larrabee*	R. F. Kippingburg*	John H. Holton*		William Ervin*
1846	Rev. Chas. V. Kelly	Rev. Wm. F. Walker*	James Price*	Arnold R. Robinson*	William McMurtry.*		Peter Sweat*
1847	Rev. N. P. Heath*	E. R Roe*		Webb C. Quigley*	Peter Surat*		John H. Holton*
1848	Rev. Chas. Howard*	George Davis*	R. W. Diller	William E. Russell*	H. G. Reynolds*		Clark B. Stebbins*
1849	Rev. Brax'n Parish*	A. D. Caldwell*		Clark B. Stebbins*	Nathan English*		W. H. L. Wallace*
1850	Rev. J. T. Worth'g'n*	J. T. Lindsay*		R. W. Scanland*	George W. Hotchkiss*		J. M. Scott*
1851	Rev. Chas. Howard	George T. Brown*	Silas Ramsey*	W. W. Drummond*	Isaac R. Diller*		J. W. Smith*
1852	Rev. R. E. Guthrie*	John Dean Caton*	John S. Winter*	J. W. Smith*	Amos Hill*		J. P. Waterhouse*
1853	Rev. W. E. Johnson*	Charles E. Dodge*	Jacob W. Brewer*	Stephen Bennett*	James Price*		Wm. Kinman*
1854	Rev. J. H. Hughes*	Isaac R. Diller*	Jacob W. Brewer	McKinzie Turner*	Cyrus C. Palmer*		Jonathan Young*
1855	Rev. J. H. Hughes	Isaac R. Diller	John S. Winter	J. C. McMurtry*	A. J. Kuykendall*		Robert Keith*
1856	Rev. Danl. P. Bunn*	James H. Matheny*	P. A. Whitaker*	E. J. Higgins*	A. J. Kuykendall		G. D. Moody*
1857	Rev. L. P. Clover*	J. M. Palmer*		E. J. Higgins	E. A. Whipple*	Robert Keith*	Daniel Frost*
1858	Rev. L. P. Clover	Abraham Jonas*	Benj. F. Barry*	C. C. Sympson*	George R. McGregor*	Phares A. Dorwin*	Lewis Keyon*
1859	Rev. N. W. Miner*	Stephen A. Huribut*	John S. Winter	C. C. Sympson	Reuben Cleveland.*	H. A. Chase*	Robert Gibson*
1860	Rev. Jas. L. Crane*	Ely S. Parker*	James Steele*	N. W. Chapman*	David B. Irons*	Michael Grant*	John C. Baker
1861	Rev. Jas. L. Crane	H. P. H. Bromwell*	L. W. Shepherd*	D. D. Irons*	Reuben Cleveland*	M. Grant*	Caleb Finch*
1862	Rev. N. E. Cobleigh*	H. P. H. Bromwell	L. W. Shepherd	D. W. Zink*	J. M. Pearson	J. W. Banker*	G. W. Albin*
1863	Rev. R. G. Hamilton*	Allen C. Fuller*	John C. Reynolds*	Chas. T. Pace*	James N. Buford*	Daniel G. Burr*	C. L. Underwood*
1864	Rev. J. T. Orr*	Vincent Ridgely	John C. Reynolds	Chas. T. Pace	James Lowe*	Daniel Frost*	Daniel G. Burr*
1865	Rev. J. T. Orr	M. W. Willis*	John C. Reynolds	Alonzo Ransom*	J. F. Alexander*	S. B. Dugger*	Daniel Frost
1866	Rev. O. H. Tiffany*	J. I. Davidson*	John C. Reynolds	Chas. Spalding*	Samuel B. Dugger*	J. M. Samson*	Jay G. Callender*
1867	Rev. D. P. Bunn*	Newton Bateman*	John C. Reynolds	Chas. Spalding	John G. Bagby*	I. S. Blackweider*	Jay G. Callender
1868	Rev. D. P. Bunn	Joseph Robbins*		George W. Staley*	Geo. W. Hartman*	I. E. Hardy*	S. C. Buckman*
1869	Rev. J. I. Davidson*	H. P. H. Bromwell*	John C. Reynolds	Geo. H. Raymond*	John W. Ross*	Elijah E. Myers‡	John Evans*
1870	Rev. Jno. W. Agard*	John M. Scott.*	John C. Reynolds	Thos. J. Whitehead*	John F. Burrill†	Isaac E. Hardy	Wm. H. Eastman*
1871	Rev. Jno. W. Agard	Jerome R. Gorin*	John F. Burrill†	Wm. H. Eastman*	Thos. J. Whitehead.	Henry W. Dyer	Isaac E. Hardy*
1872	Rev. Jno. W. Agard	T. T. Gurney*	John F. Burrill	H. W. Dyer	W. H. Long	Isaac E. Hardy	Wm. E Ginther
1873	W. H. Scott	John Dougherty*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	Thomas C. Clark	Harry Duvall	Wm. H. Long	Wm. E. Ginther
1874	W. H. Scott	C. H. Patton*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	E. P. Chatfield	A. H. Irvin	Wm. E. Ginther	Wm. H. Long
1875	George W. Martin	George M. McConnell	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John A. Ladd	Alexander H. Irvin*	Robert Richards	George W. Cyrus
1876	George W. Martin	R. S. Dement*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John P. Norvell*	John A. Ladd	Geo. W. Cyrus	John R. Thomas
1877	George W. Martin	Alfred Sample*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John P. Norvell	John A. Ladd	John R. Thomas	Robt. L McKinlay
1878	George W. Martin	John R. Thomas	Frank Hudson, Jr.	John P. Norvell	Henry C. Cleveland*	Loyal L. Munn*	Samuel Rawson
1879	George W. Martin	John P. Norvell*	Frank Hudson, Jr.	Chas. M. Carter	Henry C. Cleveland.	Loyal L. Munn	Daniel Brewster

1880	John D. Gillham	W. H. Williamson	Frank Hudson, Jr	Chas. M. Carter	James C. McMurtry*	Owen Scott	Thomas Moore
1881	John D. Gillham	Owen Scott	Leslie A. Munn	Chas. M. Carter	James C. McMurtry	John C. Bagby	F. A. Halliday
1882	John D. Gillham	William J. Allen	Leslie A. Munn	Thos. S. Mather*	James C. McMurtry	John C. Bagby	F. A. Halliday
1883	John D. Gillham	F. M. Youngblood	Leslie A. Munn	Thos. S. Mather	James C. McMurtry	John C. Bagby	John W. Thrift
1884	Geo. W. Scawthon	W. S. Hooper	Leslie A. Munn	Eugene L. Stoker*	Jas. C. McMurtry*	Rowley Page*	B. Mendenhall
1885	Geo. W. Scawthon	Isaac Clements	Leslie A. Munn	Edw. L. Cronkrite.	Rowley Page*	W. H. Curtin*	J. H. C. Dill*
1886	H. W. Thomas*	W. S. Hooper	D. B. Breed	Edw. L. Cronkrite	Rowley Page	W. H. Curtin	J. H. C. Dill
1887	H. W. Thomas	W. J. Calhoun	Leslie A. Munn	B. F. Mason	W. A. Stevens	Rowley Page	J. O. Hughes*
1888	H. W. Thomas	Geo C. Lorimer*	Leslie A. Munn	B. F. Mason	W. A. Stevens	R. S. Gordon	E. A. Kratz
1889	F. M. Springer*	A. T. Wolf	George L. Munn	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1890	F. M. Springer	W. J. Calhoun	George L. Munn	B. F. Mason	R S Gordon	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1891	F. P. Davenport	Wm. W. Barr	Loyal L. Munn, Jr	B. F. Mason	R. S. Gordon	N. E. Roberts	J. G. Marston
1892	Ulysses G. Johnson	Geo. W. Warvelle	Loyal L. Munn, Jr	John H. Mitchell	Haswell C. Clarke*	John W. Swatek	J. G. Marston
1893	H. W. Thomas*	John C. Black	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	Haswell C. Clarke	Walter Watson	J. S. McClelland*
1894	H. W. Thomas	John C. Black	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	William Hartzell*	Walter Watson	Cicero J. Lindley
1895	Jerome R. Gorin*	Adlai E. Stevenson	G. H. B. Tolle	Pleas. T. Chapman	W. O. Butler	Walter Watson	Cicero J. Lindley
1896	Horace W. Bolton	W. H. Milburn*	G. H. B. Tolle	Cicero J. Lindley	H. C. Clarke	Walter Watson	R. T. Spencer
1897	Abel M. White	W. E. Mason	G. H. B. Tolle	Joseph D. Everett	Cicero J. Lindley	Walter Watson	Adam Ortseifen
1898	Frank Crane	W. H. Milburn*	Geo. A, Stadler	Walter Watson	Joseph D. Everett	Adam Ortseifen	Philip Maas
1899	Nelson G. Lyons	Walter Reeves*	Geo. A. Stadler	Thos. A. Stevens	Walter Watson	Jos. D. Everett	Saml. Coffinberry
1900	Thos. B. T. Fisher	V. M. Blanding	Geo. A. Stadler	Thos. A. Stevens	Walter Watson	W. W. Watson	Saml. Coffinberry
1901	J. P. Brushingham	Richard Yates	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Walter Watson	Herbert Preston*	Louis Zinger
1902	J. P. Brushingham	Jas. B. McFatrich	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Walter Watson	Herbert Preston	Louis Zinger
1903	Joseph Stolz	Wm. A. Northcott	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple	Louis Zinger	W. H Peak	J. R Ennis
1904	J. W. VanCleve	Herbert Preston*	Geo. A. Stadler	Henry L. Whipple.	Louis Zinger	W. H. Peak	J. R. Ennis
1905	W. S. Welsh	Owen Scott	Geo. A. Stadler	James McCredie	Louis Zinger	W. H. Peak	J. R. Ennis
1906	H. W. Thomas	Rufus O. White	Geo. A. Stadler	James McCredie	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	J. R. Ennis
1907	Abraham Traugott	Elmer E. Beach	Geo. A. Stadler	Fred'ick W. Froelich	Louis Zinger	W. O. Butler	Jas. W. Willard
1908	Abraham Traugott	Euclid B. Rogers	Geo. A. Stadler	Fred'ick W. Froelich	Louis Zinger	James John	Jas. W. Willard
1909	J. Webster Bailey	Frank G. Smith	Geo. A. Stadler	N. J. Cary	A. W. West	James John	Norman M. Mesnard
1910	W. W. Weadon	W. W. Wilson	Geo. A. Stadler	N. J. Cary	A. W. West	J. L. Brewster	Norman M. Mesnard
1911	Joseph C. Nate	Alexander H. Bell	Geo. A. Stadler	T. S. Browning	M. Bates Iott	J. L. Brewster	Geo. N. Todd
1912	Joseph C. Nate	Lawr'ce Y. Sherman	Geo. A. Stadler	T. S. Browning	M. Bates Iott	J. L. Brewster	Caleb Y. Stovall

*Deceased. ‡Suspended †Expelled

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	SR. GRAND DEACON.	JR. GRAND DEACON.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND STEWARD.	GRAND TYLER.
1840	M. Helm*	J. Crocker*	Lucian B. Adams*	T. G. Johnson*			C. Ludlum*
1841	John Crockett*	Saml. Mattlack*	James Magorian*	A. V. Putman*			Geo. Hackett*
1842	Samuel Mattlack*	Henry Prather*	A. V. Putman*				Geo. Hackett
1843	J. B. Conyers*	John Bennett*	L. C. Kercheval*				Geo. Hackett
1844	Peter Sweat*	Chas. H. Pringle*	H. C. Reman*				Geo. Hackett
1845	William Lavely*	Nathan Dresser*	John C. Heyl*	Samuel H. Davis*			John Gregory*
1846	A. C. Dickson*	R. F. Kippingburg*	Harrison Dills*	Henry Kaussel*			D. M. Kittinger*
1847	W. C. Hobbs*	W. B. Mills*	Timothy Souther*	E. J. Harper*			D. M. Kittinger
1848	W. W. Bennett*	Hosa J. Armstrong*	John Daley*	John Pahlman*			N. Christy
1849	P. A. Whittaker*	Webb C. Quigley*	John E. Rearden*	John T. Knox*			A. R. Stout*
1850	P. A. Whittaker	A. R. Stout*	J. W. Keys*	Phares A. Dorwin*			M. McNamara*
1851	R. W. Scanland*	A. W. Blakesley*	D. A. Morris*	Isaac Springer*			A. R. Robinson*
1852	William S. Hurst*	R. S. Patterson*	Warren Brown*	McKenzie Turner*			A. R. Robinson
1853	John C. Heyl*	Wm. M. Eubanks*	Warren Brown	Robert Keith*			A. R. Robinson
1854	John M. Scott*	R. W. Scanland*	Robert Keith*	Stephen Bennett*			A. R. Robinson
1855	W. W. Jackson*	Henry T. Mudd*	O. N. Stafford*	Ezra J. Higgins*			A. R. Robinson
1856	J. S. Reardon*	Daniel Frost*	O. N. Stafford	P. V. Van Norstrum*			A. R. Robinson
1857	Caesar A. Roberts*	James Monroe*	O. N. Stafford	Silas C. Toler.*			A. R. Robinson
1858	Caesar A. Roberts	William Watson*	O. N. Stafford	Daniel G. Burr			A. R. Robinson
1859	Wm. V. Plum*	Thomas W. Hay*	Wm. A. Hacker*	P. A. Dorwin*			A. R. Robinson
1860	Wm. M. Egan*	Thomas Moore*	Charles Fisher	O. N. Stafford*			A. R. Robinson
1861	J. C. Luckey*	H. W. Hubbard*	O. N. Stafford*	Charles Fisher			A. R. Robinson
1862	H. W. Hubbard*	John Bennett*	Charles Fisher	O. N. Stafford			A. R. Robinson
1863	N. W. Huntley*	Thomas W. Hay*	Charles Fisher	Wm. F. Elkin, Jr*			O. N. Stafford*
1864	Thomas W. Hay*	George Mason*	Charles Fisher	Wm. F. Elkin, Jr			O. N. Stafford
1865	James Lowe*	Rodney Ashley*	J. M. Burnett*	James Gourley*			O. N. Stafford
1866	James Lowe	Rodney Ashley	O. N. Stafford*	Thomas C. Jewell*			John P. Ferns*
1867	Geo. E. Lounsbury*	D. A. Cashman*	O. N. Stafford	R. D. Lawrence*			John P. Ferns
1868	Wm. G. Swan*	Saml. C. Stearns*	O. N. Stafford	A. R. Robinson*			John P. Ferns
1869	Wiley M. Egan*	Saml. C. Stearns	O. N. Stafford	A. R. Robinson			John P. Ferns
1870	W. J. A. DeLancey	Henry W. Dyer	H. E. Hamilton	Wm. H. Long			John P. Ferns
1871	W. J. A. DeLancey	H. E. Hamilton	Wm. H. Long	Wm. E. Ginther	John O'Neil	John McLarey	John P. Ferns
1872	H. E. Hamilton	John D. Hamilton	L. A. Hamblin*	Joseph Dixon*	M. S. Bowman	G. W. Hartman	John P. Ferns
1873	H. E. Hamilton	John D. Hamilton	M. S. Bowman	L. A. Hamblin*	G. Brinkmeier	H. Hohnsheidt*	John P. Ferns
1874	John D. Hamilton	R. T. Higgins.*	J. B. Trull	H. Hohnsheidt*	Ira A. Church*	Isaac E. Hardy	John P. Ferns
1875	John D. Hamilton	R. T. Higgins.	George Rawson	George Barry*	Paul Ziemsen	John P. Norvell*	John P. Ferns
1876	John M. Pearson	H. C. Cleveland*	George Rawson	James H. Crandall	Wm. E. Avise	E. Bornemann	John P. Ferns
1877	John M. Pearson	H. C. Cleveland	George Rawson	Adolph Shire	C. M. Grammar	H. B. Davidson	John P. Ferns
1878	Alfred Sample*	Frank A. Halliday	A. M. Bennett	James Strong	J. L. Wallar*	Gilbert R. Smith	John P. Ferns
1879	Alfred Sample.	Geo. W. Hamilton	James L. Scott	Morris R. Locke	B. J. Van Court	William Floto	John P. Ferns

1880	Samuel Rawson	Geo. W. Hamilton	James L. Scott	Morris R. Locke	B. J. Van Court	J. S. McClelland*	John P. Ferns
1881	Samuel Rawson	Chas. H. Brennan	T. D. Palmer	Geo. W. Hamilton	B. F. Mason	J. S. McClelland	John P. Ferns
1882	Leroy A. Goddard	Rowley Page*	Geo. W. Hamilton	J. S. McClelland*	A. B. Wicker	S. T. Webber	John P. Ferns
1883	Leroy A. Goddard	Rowley Page	Geo. W. Hamilton	S. T. Webber*	Eugene L. Stoker*	H. C. Murrah	John P. Ferns
1884	Leroy A. Goddard	Thos. S. Mather*	Geo. W. Hamilton	A. B. Wicker	W. O. Butler	J. G. Marston	R. R. Stevens*
1885	Leroy A. Goddard	Thos. S. Mather	Geo. W. Hamilton	A. B. Wicker	J. G. Marston	Benj. Steingardt	R. R. Stevens
1886	Leroy A. Goddard	Thos. S. Mather	Geo. W. Hamilton	Joseph Dixon*	John Schofield	R. D. Lawrence*	R. R. Stevens
1887	John O'Neill	Thos. S. Mather	A. J. Harbers	E. A. Kratz	Daniel Stewart	C. S. Gurney	R. R. Stevens
1888	John O'Neill	J. E. Evans*	Daniel Stewart	Chester S. Gurney	George W. Warvelle	Henry R. Phinney	R. R. Stevens
1889	John O'Neill	John W. Rose	C. S. Gurney	Thos. Worthington			R. R. Stevens
1890	John O'Neill	John W. Rose	A. W. Hitchcock	Thos. Worthington	Wm. Jackson		R. R. Stevens
1891	John O'Neill	Eugene L. Stoker*	Thos. Worthington	Wm. Jackson	A. W. Hitchcock	C. H. Starkel	R. R. Stevens
1892	John O'Neill	Andrew J. Benson	A. W. Hitchcock	Wm. Jackson	Chas. H. Starkel	R. T. Spencer	R. R. Stevens
1893	Geo. M. Moulton	Andrew J. Benson	A. M. Boring	Wm. H. Johnson	J. M. Montgomery*	F. E. Eubeling	R. R. Stevens
1894	Geo. M. Moult n	Andrew J. Benson	H. C. Mitchell	Wm. H. Johnson	A. M. Boring	Harry C. Purdy	R. R. Stevens
1895	E. C. Pace*	C. E. Allen	John Lingo	W. W. Bruce	W. W. Watson	A. M. Boring	R. R. Stevens
1896	E. C. Pace	C. E. Allen	W. W. Bruce	Adam Ortseifen	J. S. McClelland*	W. H. Johnson	R. R. Stevens
1897	C. E. Allen	H. C. Clarke*	Geo. W. Hamilton	W. W. Watson	J. S. McClelland	S. Coffinberry	R. R. Stevens
1898	C. E. Allen	H. C. Clarke	Geo. W. Hamilton	W. W. Watson	J. S. McClelland	S. Coffinberry	R. R. Stevens
1899	Haswell C. Clarke*	Louis Zinger	J. S. McClelland*	W. W. Watson	G. W. Hamilton	G. S. Hummer	R. R. Stevens
1900	Louis Zinger	Jos. D. Everett	J. S. McClelland	G. W. Hamilton	Geo. S. Hummer	I. M. Hornbacker	R. R. Stevens
1901	Jos. D. Everett	James McCredie	J. S. McClelland	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	W. M. Burbank	Wm. L. Orr*
1902	Jos. D. Everett	James McCredie	J. S. McClelland	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	W. M Burbank	Wm L. Orr
1903	Walter Watson	Wm. H. Lathrop	W. M. Burbank	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbough*	Wm. L. Orr
1904	Walter Watson	Norman Mesnard	W. M. Burbank	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbough	C S Gurney
1905	Henry L. Whipple	Lawrence C. Johnson	W. M. Burbank	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbough	C. S. Gurney
1906	Henry L. Whipple	Lawrence C. Johnson	H. S. Albin	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbough	C. S Gurney
1907	Henry L. Whipple	Lawrence C. Johnson	H. S. Albin	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbough	C. S. Gurney
1908	Henry L. Whipple	Lawrence C. Johnson	H. S. Albin	G. W. Hamilton	W. B. Grimes	C. Rohrbrough	C. S. Gurney
1909	T. E. Gillespie	W. H. Peak	H. S. Albin	G. W. Hamilton	Charles F. Tenney	James L. Scott	C. S. Gurney
1910	T. E. Gillespie	W. H. Peak	H. S. Albin	R. G. Bright	Charles F. Tenney	James L. Scott	C. S. Gurney
1911	S. S. Borden	Harris Levy	H. S. Albin	G. W. Tipsword	Charles F. Tenney	Ed. L. Willits	C. S. Gurney
1912	S. S. Borden	Harris Levy	H. S. Albin	G. W. Tipsword	Charles F. Tenney	Ed. L. Willits	C. S. Gurney

*Deceased

LIST OF GRAND LODGES

Recognized by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, together with Names and Addresses of Grand Secretaries.

GRAND LODGE.	GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS.
Alberta	Dr. Geo. Macdonald	Calgary.
Alabama	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery.
Arizona	George J. Roskruge	Tucson.
Arkansas	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock.
British Columbia	W. A. DeWolf Smith	New Westminster
California	John Whicher	San Francisco.
Canada	Ralph Leeming Gunn	Hamilton, Ontario
Colorado	Charles H. Jacobson	Denver.
Connecticut	Frank W. Havens	Hartford.
Cuba	Carlos G. Charles	Havana.
Delaware	Virginius V. Harrison	Wilmington.
District of Columbia	A. W. Johnston	Washington.
England	Sir Edward Letchworth	London. Freemasons Hall
Florida	W. P. Webster	Jacksonville.
Georgia	W. A. Wolihin	Macon.
Holland	J. Boudewijuse	The Hague, Holland.
Idaho	Theo. W. Randall	Boise.
Illinois	Isaac Cutter	Camp Point.
Indiana	Calvin W Prather	Indianapolis.
Iowa	Newton R. Parvin	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland	H. E. Flavelle, D. G. Sec.	Dublin.
Kansas	Albert K. Wilson	Topeka.
Kentucky	Henry B. Grant	Louisville.
Louisiana	Richard Lambert	New Orleans.
Maine	Stephen Berry	Portland.
Manitoba	James A. Ovas	Winnipeg.
Maryland	George Cook	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Thomas W. Davis	Boston.
Michigan	Lou B. Winsor	Reed City.
Minnesota	John Fishel	St. Paul.
Mississippi	Frederic Gordon Speed.	Vicksburg.
Missouri	John R Parson	St. Louis.
Montana	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.	Helena.
Nebraska	Francis E. White	Omaha.
Netherlands	H. J. W. Van Lawick	The Hague.
Nevada	E. D. Vanderlieth	Carson City.
New Brunswick	J. Twining Hartt	St. John.
New Hampshire	Harry M. Cheney	Concord.
New Jersey	Benjamin F. Wakefield	Trenton.
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keane	Albuquerque.
New York	Edward M. L. Ehlers	New York.
New Zealand	Malcolm Niccol	Wellington.
North Carolina	John C. Drewry	Raleigh.
North Dakota	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo.
Nova Scotia	Thomas Mowbray	Halifax.
Ohio	J. H. Bromwell	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma	Wm. M. Anderson	Oklahoma City
Oregon	James F. Robinson	Portland, 388 Yamhill St.
Pennsylvania	John A. Perry	Philadelphia.
Prince Edward Island	W. P. Doull	Charlottetown
Quebec	Will H Whyte	Montreal.
Queensland	Chas. H. Harley	Brisbane.
Rhode Island	S. Penrose Williams	Providence.
Saskatchewan	Jno. M Shaw	Regina.
Scotland	David Reid	Edinburg.
South Australia	Chas. R. J. Glover	Adelaide.
South Carolina	O Frank Hart	Columbia
South Dakota	George A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls.
Tasmania	John Hamilton	Hobart.
Tennessee	John B. Garrett	Nashville.
Texas	John Watson	Waco.
Utah	Christopher Diehl	Salt Lake City.
United Grand Lodge of Victoria	Charles James Barrow.	Melbourne.
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales	Arthur H. Bray	Sydney.
Vermont	Henry H. Ross	Burlington.
Virginia	Geo. W. Carrington	Richmond.
Washington	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma.
Western Australia	J. D. Stevenson	Perth.
West Virginia	John M. Collins	Charleston
Wisconsin	Wm. W. Perry	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	Wm. L Kuykedall	Saratoga.

MASONIC LITERATURE

The Grand Secretary desires to thank the editors of the following magazines and papers for kindly supplying his office with their publications during the past year, in exchange for our proceedings. We shall be happy to exchange with all Masonic publications and papers having a Masonic department:

The Illinois Freemason—Bloomington, Illinois.

The Masonic Sentinel—1413 Masonic Temple, Chicago, Illinois.

The Masonic Chronicler—Chicago, Illinois.

Masonic Advocate—Pendleton, Indiana.

The Australasian Keystone—Melbourne, Victoria.

The Trestle Board—408 California street, San Francisco, California.

Masonic News—Peoria, Illinois.

Masonic Token—Portland, Maine.

The Masonic Constellation—St. Louis, Missouri.

The New Zealand Craftsman—Dunedin.

Square and Compass—Denver, Colorado.

The Texas Freemason—San Antonio, Texas.

The American Tyler Keystone—Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The Masonic Review—Tacoma, Washington.

Square and Compass—New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Tennessee Mason—Nashville, Tennessee.

Masonic Standard—New York, New York.

Masonic Voice and Review—265 La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

The Masonic Observer—Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Missouri Freemason—St. Louis, Missouri.

The New England Craftsman—Boston, Massachusetts.

Corner Stone—411 W. 145th St., New York City.

The Mosaic—Saginaw, Mich.

Masonic Review—Johannesburg.

Oriental Lodge Notes—Chicago.

The American Freemason—Storm Lake, Iowa.

The Masonic World—Kansas City, Missouri.

The Triangle—100 N. Winebiddle Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

Our Fraternal Dead

ILLINOIS

Bro. William J. A. DeLancey

PAST DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

BORN NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1826
DIED FEBRUARY 13, 1912

Rev. Bro. William White Wilson

PAST GRAND ORATOR

BORN PHILADELPHIA, PA., 1847
DIED SEPTEMBER 6, 1912

Bro. Herbert Samuel Hurd

PAST GRAND EXAMINER

DIED JUNE 28, 1912

Our Fraternal Dead

Masters and Past Masters of Illinois Lodges

Name	Address	Died
Lewis Megowan	Franklin No. 25	October 25, 1911
William E. Ginther	Charleston No. 35	September 22, 1911
James H. Phillips	Olive Branch No. 38	October 6, 1911
Leven D. Gass	Olive Branch No. 38	January 17, 1912
William Walter Stevens	Mt. Joliet No. 42	March 26, 1912
Alonzo T. Pipher	Fraternal No. 58	February 18, 1912
Edward Grube	Acacia No. 67	December 4, 1911
Lyman Sanderson	Acacia No. 67	March 12, 1912
Charles Fisher	Central No. 71	July 1, 1911
Samuel Hoyles	Jerusalem Temple No. 90	February 10, 1912
Gustavus Wideman	Jerusalem Temple No. 90	March 17, 1912
William H. Wierick	Taylor No. 98	January 27, 1912
Henry Clay Mills	Magnolia No. 103	June 15, 1912
Joe M. Morrow	Marion No. 130	June 7, 1912
James A. Rose	Golconda No. 131	May 29, 1912
Orin Hopkins	Marengo No. 138	June 8, 1912
John Gilmore Bliss	Olney No. 140	June 26, 1912
George McWilliams	Garden City No. 141	June 9, 1912
George Henry Vaupell	Garden City No. 141	August 19, 1912
Andrew W. Ball	Delavan No. 156	April 21, 1912
Frederick E. Eubeling	Urbana No. 157	July 23, 1911
Puffer Chenery	Matteson No. 175	March 22, 1912
John B. Harding	Staunton No. 177	December 7, 1911
Marvin M. Morse	Meridian No. 183	August 12, 1911
Camillus McClure	Freedom No. 194	October 19, 1911
Thad. T. Lauchner	Louisville No. 196	August 9, 1911
Frank Martin	Wilmington No. 208	February 20, 1912
Chester Barley	LeRoy No. 221	July 22, 1911
John Evanson	LeRoy No. 221	June 11, 1912
John M. Abell	Brooklyn No. 282	February 13, 1912
Thomas McNeice	Meteor No. 283	March 19, 1912
John H. Latham	Meteor No. 283	May 9, 1912
William E. Gilliland	Columbus No. 227	February 28, 1912
Henry D. Herbert	Raven No. 303	November 13, 1911
Henry Helle	Raven No. 303	June 11, 1912
Walter Scott Muir	Dearborn No. 310	October 25, 1911
Bradford Lee De Golyer	Kilwinning No. 311	April 10, 1912
Erastus F. Baker	Palatine No. 314	May 4, 1912
Milton R. McKinley	Doric No. 319	April 4, 1912
J. Newton Price	Windsor No. 322	February 21, 1912
N. A. Hauge	Orient No. 323	March, 1912
William Harvey Howell	Harrisburg No. 325	April 2, 1912
Marion May, Sr	Sumner No. 334	August 6, 1911
David Fey	Schiller No. 335	July 3, 1911
Thomas J. Nuckolls	Ark and Anchor No. 354	December 4, 1911
Henry Dawson	Ark and Anchor No. 354	January 3, 1912
Samuel Aaron Hedrick	Noble No. 362	April 9, 1912
John Bland	Oxford No. 367	November 1, 1911
J. E. Brown	Jefferson No. 368	April 13, 1912
Thomas Gibbs	Gill No. 382	December 26, 1911
Milton D. Frazer	Bridgeport No. 386	June 6, 1912
N. C. Price	Oconee No. 392	February, 1912
August H. Bruge	Thomas J. Turner No. 409	November 5, 1911
Charles B. Morrow	Thomas J. Turner No. 409	December 28, 1911
John Henry Lesch	Washburn No. 421	November 30, 1911
Richard Cverly	Chebanse No. 429	October 15, 1911
A. G. Brewster	Philo No. 436	September 1, 1911
Charles David North	Yates City No. 448	April 22, 1912
Eli H. Wilkins	Mendon No. 449	August 5, 1911

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Masters and Past Masters of Illinois Lodges

Name	Address	Died
George Hutchinson	Bromwell No. 451	March 17, 1912
Samuel Arthur Friedman	Maroa No. 454	March 5, 1912
George Sippell	Nokomis No. 456	August 19, 1911
Wesley T. Crain	Stanford No. 605	January 12, 1912
Henry C. Bothwell	Clay City No. 488	May 13, 1912
Napoleon B. Morrow	Odin No. 503	November 10, 1911
Laban Beecher Dixon	Home No. 508	June 28, 1912
Herbert S. Hurd	Home No. 508	June 28, 1912
Lee Smith	Wade-Barney No. 512	October 16, 1911
James J. Swarthout	Adams No. 529	February 8, 1912
C. F. Hapner	Oak Park No. 540	December 9, 1911
Robert C. Cool	Cordova No. 543	November 13, 1911
William B. Bloom	Sharon No. 550	March 7, 1912
George W. Griswold	Pera No. 574	June 11, 1912
Leonard Shontz	Hazel Dell No. 580	February 17, 1912
Emery L. Haugham	Shirley No. 582	November 14, 1911
George R. Sanderson	Vesper No. 584	February 29, 1912
Lewis K. Thompson	Walnut No. 722	February 15, 1912
Marshall U. Trimble	Princeton No. 587	April 20, 1912
Charles M. Howard	Clark No. 603	February 15, 1912
Wm. C. Howell	Clark No. 603	February 18, 1912
Virgil S. Ferguson	Rock River No. 612	February 23, 1912
William P. Damron	Basco No. 618	June 20, 1912
Charles A. Sladeck	Keystone No. 639	February 14, 1912
W. F. Rowell	Comet No. 641	May 13, 1912
Zach. Wirt	Oblong City No. 644	November 23, 1911
August Muxfield	Mozart No. 656	December 22, 1911
John Ell Bready	Rock Island No. 658	June 5, 1912
Henry Dietz	Herder No. 669	May 24, 1912
Warren H. Wilmot	A. O. Fay No. 676	January 1, 1912
S. W. Culp	Morrisonville No. 681	September 28, 1911
Robert J. Colburn	Englewood No. 690	August 23, 1911
Carson Lawyer	Hutton No. 698	October 6, 1911
William Campbell Link	Ewing No. 705	May 2, 1912
John M. Bell	Morning Star No. 734	April 21, 1912
A. G. Barnes	Arrowsmith No. 737	December 10, 1911
Nicholas Martin	Lakeside No. 739	March 13, 1912
Milam Benjamin Momsell	Danvers No. 742	January 16, 1912
Richard Elvy Parker	Akin No. 749	June 10, 1912
Winfield Scott Pierce	Verona No. 757	October 3, 1911
D. G. Lindsay	Sullivan No. 764	April 10, 1912
Allen Middleton	Mizpah No. 768	November 6, 1911
George Henry Frizzle	Lake View No. 774	April 13, 1912
Edward Harpfer	Grand Crossing No. 776	February 2, 1912
Robert Porter	Grand Crossing No. 776	February 27, 1912
Charles Albert Firleke	Beacon Light No. 784	November 8, 1911
William H. Cassidy	Lerna No. 788	August 5, 1911
Edwin F. Rowland	Auburn Park No. 789	October 13, 1911
George M. Brosnihan	Kenwood No. 800	August 31, 1912
Alex. Cruden	Kensington No. 804	January 8, 1912
Sebastian H. McNabb	Tracy No. 810	October 20, 1911
Edwin G. Ruthrauff	Harvey No. 832	December 17, 1911
William J. Lafferty	Woodlawn Park No. 841	September 2, 1912
John E. Evenden	Park No. 843	November 2, 1911
James F. Crawford	Bluffs No. 846	May 6, 1912
John P. Gurnsey	Cornell No. 368	November 10, 1911
George Parker Nelson	Kenwood No. 800	September 14, 1912
Joseph A. Foster	Cave-in-Rock No. 444	September 5, 1912

Our Fraternal Dead

Other Grand Jurisdictions

GEORGE A. DANNELLY
Past Grand Master, Arkansas.
Died December 24, 1911

ANDREW SAGENDORF
Past Grand Master, Colorado. Died August 2, 1912.

JOHN P. ALLMOND
Past Grand Master, Delaware. Died March 24, 1912.

LEWIS JACKSON BAKER
Past Grand Master, Iowa. Died ————

ROLLIN MADISON HUNTER
Past Grand Master, Iowa. Died June 26, 1912.

LIBERTY EATON FELLOWS
Past Grand Master, Iowa. Died July 17, 1912.

JOSEPH CHAPMAN
Past Grand Master, Iowa. Died August 27, 1912.

GEORGE WASHINGTON PRESCOTT
Past Grand Master, Minnesota. Died March 21, 1912.

SAMUEL EMERY ADAMS
Past Senior Grand Warden, Minnesota.
Died March 29, 1912.

M. M. EVANS
Past Grand Master, Mississippi.
Died November 9, 1911.

ENOCH GEORGE DE LAP
Past Grand Master, Mississippi.
Died December 24, 1911.

Our Fraternal Dead

Other Grand Jurisdictions

JOHN S. COBB

Past Grand Master, Mississippi.
Died January 17, 1912.

LEANDER WARREN FRAY

Past Grand Master, Montana. Died October 24, 1911.

CHRISTOPHER G. FOX

Senior Past Grand Master, New York.
Died September 5, 1912.

WILLIAM ROSS

Past Grand Master and Past Grand Secretary,
Nova Scotia. Died March 17, 1912.

JACOB L. HOMMEDIEU LONG

Past Deputy Grand Master, Ohio.
Died May 31, 1912.

JAMES BACON GAY

Grand Master, Rhode Island.
Died November 25, 1911.

CHARLES WILLIAM McDONALD

Grand Treasurer, South Dakota.
Died March 11, 1912.

THOMAS M. MATTHEWS

Past Grand Master, Texas. Died June 24, 1912.

HIRAM REESE HOWARD

Past Grand Master, West Virginia. Died May 9, 1912.

DANIEL McLAREN MILLER

Past Grand Master, Wisconsin. Died April 25, 1912.

APPENDIX—PART I

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON

MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

NINETEEN HUNDRED TWELVE

PROEM

Brethren of the Grand Lodge;

Little needs be said regarding masonry as a whole. There is, however, universal peace and great growth and progress. More attention is given to the quality of men admitted into membership of the world's great fraternity and less thought of mere largeness of numbers. Yet, it is a satisfaction to know the magnitude of masonry. So many bound together for the common purpose of service to each other, is an inspiration toward the elevation of manhood, the ennobling of womanhood and the exaltation of childhood.

By reference to a table of statistics at the close of this report, it will be seen that there are 2,032,654 masons, affiliated with lodges under the obedience of grand lodges with which Illinois is in fraternal correspondence. There are 130,838 members of bodies, claiming to be masonic, but which our grand lodge does not recognize as legitimate. In many particulars these bodies are striving for masonic standing. They do not comply with all the requirements of legitimate masonry. The number of those that are off-color is so small, as compared with the number of regular masons, that they are scarcely worth wasting time over. The chief objection to the recognition of the grand orients and their satellites is that masonry stands squarely on belief in God and the Bible as its great light. They do not.

It will be seen further from the statistical table printed elsewhere that the growth during 1911 was but little less than 100,000, the exact gain being 97,324.

Guarding Against Frauds.

It is said that imitation is sincerest flattery. So great and powerful and useful has masonry become, that certain unscrupulous persons, being unable to pass the tiled doors of legitimate lodges, have undertaken to counterfeit the genuine. Clandestine lodges exist in different parts of the country. A spurious brand of masonry has been put forth and many good men have been deceived, thinking that they were becoming members of real masonic lodges. These clandestines have been so insistent that grand lodges everywhere are turning to additional safeguards for their own protection against frauds. Documentary evidence, in addition to "strict trial and due examination," is now demanded by from one-half to two-thirds of the grand lodges The written evidence required is not only a receipt for dues, showing good standing, but a certificate of

the grand secretary, attesting the regularity of the lodge, is also required. The list of regular lodges, prepared and authorized by this grand lodge and placed in the hands of officers of the lodges of this state, is regarded as a standard of authority by grand lodges all over the American continent. In many of them, this list has been procured and adopted for the guidance of their constituents. Perhaps nothing has ever been done of more practical value in detecting fraud than this list of regular lodges of the world. A visitor seeks admission. He presents a receipt for dues, showing that he is in good standing in his lodge. Only one question remains. Is his lodge legitimate or clandestine? The worshipful master or the examining committee in a moment can turn to the authorized list of regular lodges and decide the question. If the visitor's lodge is found there he can be admitted and greeted as a brother. Should his lodge by name and number not appear, his pretentions are at once shown and he is denied admission. It is quite essential, therefore, that care should be taken to keep this list up to date and that lodges learn that therein is safety.

In this report there will be found review of the proceedings of sixty-five grand lodges. It is to be regretted that the remaining five were not received. The absent ones are Alberta, British Columbia, Nebraska, New South Wales and Western Australia. To the writer there appears ample time in which to publish proceedings and transmit them. One of these delinquents held its annual meeting in December, one in April and the others in June.

The work of reviewing the world's doings in masonry for the third time has been a most pleasant one, although the labor has been considerable. Considering the mission of service to humanity, coming in contact with the work of the vast army enrolled under the fraternal banner, there could be nothing but benefit and blessing to the reviewer. It is sincerely hoped the brethren of Illinois may be made better by the labor done.

For this reason the writer bespeaks a wide reading and careful consideration of the report herewith given.

Fraternally,

Owen Scott,
Committee.

Decatur, Ill., Sept. 27, 1912.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
MASONIC CORRESPONDENCE

NINETEEN HUNDRED TWELVE

OWEN SCOTT, P. G. M.

ALABAMA—1911.

535 Lodges. 91st Annual. 24,361 Members.

The proceedings of the annual session of 1911 show a substantial increase both in number of lodges and in membership. The meeting was held at Montgomery, December 5 and 6. Proceedings reached this reviewer January 19, 1912, on the precise date that they arrived two years ago. Last year they came January 17, two days earlier. Such clockwork regularity by the grand secretary and the printer, to say nothing of Uncle Sam's mail service, is somewhat unusual.

In one respect Alabama is unique. The report of membership shows, "Ministers 1,122." Evidently the Masons of that state divide humanity into three classes—men, women and ministers. In this section there are but two classes,—men and women. Ministers are men and as masons not different from other men.

In the list of grand lodge representatives is found the name of William W. Daffin for Illinois. A distinguished visitor was welcomed. This was Bro. Nathan Kingsley, who is the general grand high priest of the grand chapter R.A.M. Our Bro. J. E. Dyas graduated from this position a few years ago. Though he was an active member of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, he was not officially recognized. Illinois has been very wise in keeping her skirts clear of all the other, not "higher," organizations built on ancient craft masonry.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a strong presentation of the work and functions of the grand lodge in its year's work. The duties of masons to civic betterment are put forth with much force. He says that—

If every one of us should carry into the world of politics, economics and citizenship outside, the principles and usages he recognizes and con-

forms to in the lodge, masonry could do more than all other combined influences to convert our country into an ideal republic, where justice, equity and fraternity would replace ignorance, vice, poverty, injustice, bitterness and strife.

If the institution has no higher mission than to increase its membership, initiate its candidates and simply exist; if it can secure a full attendance of its members only by a banquet or a frolic, it must and should fall to pieces from sheer inanition.

Wise words, these.

Most Accommodating.

Grand Master Lee granted forty-four dispensations "to ballot out of time and confer degrees." Why have time restrictions in conferring degrees? Such frequent setting aside of the law strongly suggests that the law needs amendment. If not, it would be well to teach lodges that they must let candidates abide their time. They will know the work more thoroughly and go out better equipped for useful service.

The death of two prominent Alabama Masons is reported. These are P.G.M. B. Dudley Williams and Grand Treasurer William H. Dingley. Also the demise of our own John C. Smith is noted.

Not Many Decisions.

Only eight decisions were reported. In No. 5 the grand master holds that "A profane engaged in the business of selling spirituous, vinous or malt liqours is not eligible to receive the blue lodge degrees." Why blue lodge? Are there degrees of masonry of any other color? The grand lodge approved the decision on report of committee on jurisprudence.

Another decision held that suspension must be either indefinite or for a fixed time. It cannot be made contingent on the occurrence of some other event.

The Masonic Home

Is well under way. The corner-stone of the main building was laid during the grand lodge session with imposing ceremonies. The committee reports that the home will be ready for occupancy early in 1912. The grand lodge had authorized the issuance of $50,000 in bonds. This contemplated building on a large scale at once. The grand master and committee wisely refrained from floating the bonds and proceeded to construct the main building with money on hand. No debt will, therefore, be on the home when it is ready for use. Our southern brethren will find that is a proper course. The number of dependents will be small at first, but as they increase the accommodations can be made larger. Oftentimes grand lodges are too anxious to build greater than their means for purposes of show.

It became necessary to go to the legislature to get the power to hold more property. The law restricted to ten acres. Very promptly the law was amended much in the same way that the special statute of Illinois was broadened. The site consists of 236 acres, located only four miles from Montgomery.

Eastern Stars Invited in.

The grand chapter O.E.S. has been migratory, holding its annual meetings at various places in the state. The grand master said, "that they have manifested a great interest in the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home" in a very material way. Thereupon, the grand lodge tendered the Eastern Star free use of the grand lodge hall for their annual meetings.

Clandestine until Recognized.

The committee on foreign correspondence recommended that recognition of Valle de Mexico be postponed one year, adding—

Your committee does not fail to state that, since official fraternal relations do not subsist between the Grand Lodge of Alabama and the Grand Lodge Valley of Mexico, persons hailing from a lodge under the jurisdiction of said last named grand lodge, are not eligible to affiliation with any lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alabama.

The Report on Correspondence

Comes again from the veteran reviewer, William Y. Titcomb. It looks rather unusual to open a volume at the report on correspondence and not find "Alabama," but here Alberta stands at the head of the class for an obvious reason. In the conclusion, it was noted that Brother Titcomb was seriously ill and could not complete his review of grand lodges. At his advanced age of 84, indisposition was not surprising. Under the head of Illinois he notes that our late Bro. John M. Pearson was born in the same town, Newburyport, with Brother Titcomb and was four years his junior. He calls attention to the fact that both he and Brother Pearson were made masons in the year 1853, the former in Virginia and the latter in Illinois. The distinguished Albert Pike was also a product of Newburyport. Truly Newburyport bore herself nobly in producing such a trio as Pearson, Titcomb and Pike.

The raising of over $6,000 for the Cherry mine sufferers is noted as "a sample of Illinois benevolence."

Brother Titcomb says—

In the address he (Grand Master Ashley) embodied the masterly report of his proxy to the Baltimore conference of grand masters, Past Grand Master Alexander H. Bell—through whose initiative the project of a National Grand Lodge was buried so deep, at Baltimore, that to dig it up again would prove a powerless expenditure of labor.

About Our Homes.

Again he says that—

The excellent and business-like report of the trustees of the masonic homes—one at Sullivan, the other at Chicago (temporarily), makes it plain that these brethren understand the trust committed to them, and that they have the will, tact, and capacity to successfully administer the affairs placed in their charge. Under their wise management the new Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange rapidly nears completion. This structure was to receive the sixty and more orphans in the Chicago quarters, in a very short time, eagerly looked forward to by these children.

Of the special report of the committee on correspondence of Illinois regarding Valle de Mexico the Alabama reviewer says—"So sensible is the report that we extract it bodily." Then follows the complete report.

Brother Titcomb says "we admire the skeleton report on appeals and grievances." Then a sample is given by reproducing the case of "Milton Lodge No. 275 vs. —— —— ——." Many grand lodges commend the form of reports presented by the committee over which Judge Crawford has so long and ably presided.

Referring to the oration, the reviewer says that "in depth of thought and felicity of expression R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith stands unexcelled." The writer is grateful to Brother Titcomb for complimentary reference to his first-born review of grand lodges.

Grand master, Daniel A. Greene, Birmingham; grand secretary, George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.

ARIZONA—1912.

20 Lodges. 30th Annual. 2,014 Members.

This is one of the smallest grand lodges, yet, it is evident, that the exponents of our great fraternity in that commonwealth, big in area but little in population, are as faithful to the principles of the craft as in the larger jurisdictions. A gain of even 102 shows progress. The session was held at Prescott, February 13-15, 1912.

Deputy grand master, Bro. Thomas S. Bunch passed into the unknown soon after he had been inducted into office.

The death of our own John C. Smith is duly noted.

Only one decision was reported. The grand master in that held that it would be lawful to have a lodge room over a private club room where intoxicating liquors are sold.

A copy of the Illinois list of regular lodges was furnished to each lodge in the state.

Grand representatives were received with masonic honors. The record shows that the representative of "the Grand Lodge of Greece" responded on behalf of the diplomatic corps. Someone must have had his wires crossed on legitimate masonry when Greece got into the Arizona family.

Recognition of Porto Rico was postponed for want of sufficient information.

PLANTED A TREE

By request of the civic authorities the grand lodge planted a Live Oak tree to celebrate the admission of Arizona as a state in the federal union. A full-page half-tone shows the company as they performed the tree-planting ceremony. The big grand lodges even have been denied the joys of such an occasion.

Proceedings of the third annual meeting of the past grand masters' association are printed with those of the grand lodge. Fifteen former grand masters were present. Among these one, JOSEPH B. CREAMER, is reported as being a native of Illinois.

No report on correspondence appears. Evidently there is none prepared.

Grand master, HARRY A. DRACHMAN, Tucson: grand secretary, GEO. J. ROSKRUGE, Tucson.

ARKANSAS—1911.

552 LODGES. 70TH ANNUAL. 21,741 MEMBERS.

The record shows that of the members given above, 1,846 are "honorary." Just what this means is not disclosed in the proceedings. The annual session was held at Little Rock, November 21 and 22, 1911. A considerable number of specials, mostly to lay corner-stones, were held. The strong face of the new grand master, MARK P. OLNEY, graces the opening of the volume. Twelve past grand masters were present. Illinois was unrepresented.

The grand master's address was a practical business production, little or no attempt being made at oratory or flowery speech. The death of P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, is recorded.

Much Space for Decisions.

The grand master says he will make few decisions, yet it takes six pages to contain them. Few of these are of interest outside of Arkansas. He holds that a dimit without a seal is void. A seal imports verity and is only a matter of proof. If genuine, the dimit is the evidence of the severance of membership, whether it bears the lodge seal or not. Other lodges might be slow to accept it without the seal, but the brother bearing such a document is non-affiliated.

In one case a master gave his proxy to a member of his lodge so that he might represent the lodge in the distribution of mileage and per diem. The master himself attended the meetings of the grand chapter R.A.M. in session at the same time in the same city and probably in the same building. The grand master frowns upon this in these words: "It is not right and is illegal and unlawful and unmasonic." Was this all it could be? The grand master in another case does not hesitate to say—

> In such cases I hold the petitioner is guilty of dishonest conduct, falsehood, false and fraudulent representations and has practiced a fraud upon the lodge and he should be charged with gross immorality by the lodge and put upon trial and if found guilty, severely dealt with.

Should our good brother take a moment off, some rainy day, to prune his language, he would be a little less verbose and tautological, whatever these words may mean. Yet, from the decision, it may be inferred that the brother had done some wrong. The grand master holds that "it is illegal and improper to frame it (the charter) and leave it hanging in the lodge room and it should not be done."

A City in Two States.

Texarkana is partly in Texas and partly in Arkansas. Trouble has arisen frequently over the jurisdiction of persons residing in the same city but in different states. The Texas grand lodge undertook to waive jurisdiction over those who wanted to unite with the lodge in Arkansas. A resolution so providing was passed but it was discovered that a grand lodge cannot waive jurisdiction over anybody. This is an inherent right of the constituent lodge where the applicant resides. Arkansas agreed to do the same and leave men in Texarkana free to unite with whichever lodge they preferred. In other words, it was agreed to establish concurrent jurisdiction, as is done in cities where more than one lodge exists.

After full consideration it was held that only the lodge had the power to waive jurisdiction. Here is where the lodge is bigger than the grand lodge that created it.

The masons of Arkansas are proud of their Masonic Home. There are fifty-six children under their care. This only provides for orphans and there is sore need to care for destitute master masons and their widows. Steps were taken looking to supplying this demand. Truly, the most pathetic object is the aged and helpless mason in the hour of his extremity.

Many not Insured.

From the report of Grand Secretary Hempstead it was shown that only 140 lodges have their halls or personal property insured. This leaves 418 without insurance. It appears to be almost criminal negligence for lodges to let their property go uninsured. In case of fire they often want to appeal to other lodges for help. They are not deserving of sympathy in their loss. The cost of insurance is so small that no lodge can afford to allow its property to be uninsured for even one hour. There are many lodges in Illinois that need to heed this warning.

Here is something new. Arkansas has a masonic temple and it is paid for. Few grand lodges are free from debt on their buildings. Often the real purposes of masonry are greatly retarded by large and imposing debts on a showy "temple." Illinois has no temple and no debt. It also has a haven of refuge for the aged mason, his wife or widow, and another for the helpless orphans of masons. These are free of debt. Illinois, also, has the resources with which to build a home for the grand lodge when wisdom indicates that this should be done. Homes for the dependent came first. Conveniences for the grand lodge are secondary.

The Stars were Shining

On motion the grand chapter O.E.S. was invited to be present during the recess of the grand lodge when the oration was delivered by Bro. Tilman Parks, the grand orator. By some mishap the manuscript of the address disappeared and was never found. Hence the oration could not be printed. The record asserts that the production "was a most finished and eloquent one." The grand matron "was introduced and addressed the audience in happy phrase in recognition of the courtesy shown the grand chapter of the Eastern Star by their being permitted to be present."

An amendment proposed provides that some offices usually appointive will become elective. These are grand orator, senior and junior grand deacons.

Application of San Salvador for recognition was denied because of the "disquietude and unrest" prevalent in that country and on account of failure to adhere to the ancient landmarks.

Must Hold up a Grand Orient.

The committee on correspondence reported that new discoveries as to the regularity of the Grand Orient of the Ottoman Empire had been made. One year ago Arkansas recognized this body. Now the committee suggests that this action be suspended because "the government in that country is unsettled, disquietude and unrest prevails among its citizenship and we are candidly of the opinion that neither the grand nor subordinate lodges of that jurisdiction adheres to the ancient landmarks of masonry." Great care is necessary in dealing with the "grand orients" everywhere. Most of them are unsound and illegitimate as masonic bodies.

Recognition was transferred from Valle de Mexico to the York Grand Lodge.

The liquor question is referred to in language as follows:

Again we beg to commend the different grand jurisdictions upon the American continent for their continued efforts to promote the cause of temperance. Nearly every grand jurisdiction has passed and strengthened the edicts for the sale and use of intoxicating liquor by all of the members of the fraternity by making it more difficult for one who is directly or indirectly connected with the fraternity to become a member thereof and thereby enjoy the rights and benefits of masonry.

So far as we are now able to say there is only one grand jurisdiction in the United States that leaves this matter entirely within the hands of subordinate lodges.

Can it be that Illinois is the one exception to which reference is made?

Why Not Past Secretary?

The committee on law and usage emphatically disapproved of a resolution "providing that a master mason who has served his lodge as secretary for five years may be made a past master by majority vote of the lodge and making this rule apply to the grand lodge." Such a proposition is little less than ludicrous. If a secretary should serve 100 years and retire, he could be nothing more than past secretary. To vote him a past master would be to give him a false registry. Surely no mason would want to sail under false colors.

Here is a sound, safe and sensible resolution.

Resolved, That whenever a member of a lodge has upon a trial by the lodge been found guilty of a charge and specification, for which he

has been tried, and the lodge fails or refuses to inflict any punishment on him, it shall be the duty of the worshipful master of said lodge to inflict such punishment as he may deem suitable for the offense, and if the lodge and master refuse to do so, the grand master shall arrest the charter of said lodge.

This resolution should become law. Too many lodges endeavor to shield from punishment members who have been convicted of serious masonic offenses. Personal friendships influence too many votes when the fixing of punishment is before the lodge.

Reports of Grand Representatives.

Bro. R. T. Spencer, who represents Arkansas at the Grand Lodge of Illinois, presented a full and complete report of the doings of our grand lodge at its last session. A complete summary of business appears.

Bro. Albert J. Kruger gave a similar report of the Grand Orient of Belgium. If all representatives did this there would be little use for the reviewer of grand lodge proceedings.

In a list of grand lodges recognized by Arkansas are found eleven grand bodies, each of which is *persona non grata* to Illinois. These are Belgium, Chili, Costa Rica, Egypt, Brazil, Greece, Peru, Mexico, Porto Rico, Portugal and Sweden.

The Review of Grand Lodges

Is mostly from the pen of Bro. Charles T. Black, chairman of the committee on correspondence. Some reviews are written by Bro. S. C. Parrish. Brother Black needlessly apologizes for his work because of lack of experience.

Illinois for 1910 is written by Brother Black. He quotes liberally from the annual report of Grand Master Ashley.

Approval is given of the requirement of documentary evidence as suggested by our grand master. Where a master in Illinois was deposed for permitting one to receive the degrees who was physically disqualified the Arkansas reviewer says that "it looks like all the members of this lodge who voted to advance this man, who had a knowledge of his disqualification, should also have been dealt with." Something in this view. Responsibility should not be confined to the master.

Brother Black refers to the oration of Bro. Frank G. Smith as a "splendid address."

Grand master, Mark P. Olney, Mena; grand secretary, Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.

CALIFORNIA—1911.

343 Lodges. 62nd Annual. 45,836 Members.

The 1911 session of the grand lodge of our far-west neighbor was held at San Francisco, October 10 to 13. This covers the exact period of our grand lodge with Friday's session in addition. The net gain in membership is given as 2,161. For one year only the grand lodge will move to Los Angeles. Because of the importunity of the brethren of Southern California it was by unanimous vote decided to meet in a city, some 400 miles away from the usual meeting place. California is so very large that the vast distances to be traveled are scarcely realized. Brethren going from San Diego must journey about 500 miles to reach San Francisco. Those from the north end of the Golden State, must go nearly as far. An extent of 2,000 miles from north to south, makes the attendance even to a point near the middle of the state a matter of considerable travel. As no mileage is paid to representatives by the grand lodge, this change gives some relief to the south. It was definitely understood that going to Los Angeles did not mean that the grand lodge would be put on wheels. Hereafter the location is permanently fixed in the constitution at San Francisco.

The proceedings are contained in a very handsome book of more than 400 pages. The opening adornment is a fine picture of Grand Master, Dana A. Weller.

The Annual Address

Of Grand Master Weller is a brief but forceful document. He says that they are congregated "to contemplate the work of masonry in this grand jurisdiction during the past year and to endeavor to discover the errors which have been committed and to formulate plans for improvements in the future. By this means we may transform failure from a source of humiliation and disgrace into a signal light to guide us past the rocks of ignorance and darkness into the safe harbor of knowledge and light."

Many are so enamored of the successes they magnify that they obscure the failure so evident to others. The address of the grand master is strong and vigorous.

Electricity and Masonry.

Here is a fine sample—

The present generation has witnessed the most marvelous advancement in the material knowledge of man that the world has ever known.

Science has subjugated and made subservient that potent and unknown force which is the basic principle of so many of the inventions that have excited the wonder and admiration of the observers. And all this has been accomplished in utter ignorance of what it is or why it exists—only its laws have been discovered and put to practical use. Masonry possesses a subtle power and influence which it exerts in the same mysterious way over those who study its laws and practice its precepts. Its origin and the reason for its existence, while interesting, are less important than its practical application to the lives and characters of its novitiates.

Wiley J. Tinnin, grand master in 1885 and Edmund C. Atkinson, in 1886, swiftly followed each other to "that undiscovered country" where "the weary are at rest."

Has Courage to Change his Mind.

Grand Master Weller is not afraid to acknowledge a change of heart. He says that—

From a state of scepticism caused by reports based upon inadequate information as to the efficacy and economy of Masonic Homes, I have been converted to the firm belief that we have properly solved the problem of the care of our unfortunate brethren, with justice to them and to ourselves.

One of the pleasant features of the year's work was the dedication of the new hospital at the Decoto Home for the Aged, made possible by the generosity of Bro. Edward Coleman, grand treasurer since 1893.

Special dispensations were only issued for two purposes. These were "to reballot" and "to hold election for officers at a time other than that fixed by law." Evidently in that state laws are allowed to run their course unvexed by the individual dictum of the grand master. The grand secretary approved the "Illinois list of regular lodges" and the grand body instructed him to procure 500 copies for use of their constituents.

Collections for the current year show a very even division between the "Home fund," $45,836, and the "general fund," $43,291.10. The Home fund comes chiefly from a per capita tax of $1.00 per annum.

Great System of Relief.

California is a great state for boards of relief. There is one at each of the following cities; San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Jose, San Diego and Sacramento. Each board submits a report to the grand lodge for review and audit. Owing to the large number of tourists for health and pleasure, attracted by the "glorious climate of California," special provisions must be made for the unfortunate

brother traveling from afar. At San Francisco there was paid out to these from American grand lodges the sum of $9,175.07; to foreign, $1,814.25; to dimited masons, $845.45, and to those of doubtful record, $308.55. In this Illinois masons at San Francisco received $578.50. The record shows that $575.65 was returned. Few other states did so well in refunding the money advanced. At other places the amounts involved were much smaller. At Los Angeles, Illinois received $538.10 and refunded $278.80. At Oakland, $367.60 to Illinois but there was no account of return. In other cities our brethren do not appear in the lists. California masons are giving practical evidence of assisting a "needy, worthy brother."

There are ten lodges reported having a membership of over 500. These run from 886 to 507.

Getting Into the Homes.

Here is a safe way to handle a perplexing difficulty. Yet, in using the plan there is danger of finding edged tools. The trustees of the Homes say that—

Under the rule which has been in existence for some years past, each lodge in this jurisdiction is entitled to have one adult admitted to the Homes without charge. When it reaches a membership of three hundred it is entitled to two, and when it reaches six hundred, to three, and one for each additional three hundred in membership. A lodge may, if there be room and the board approve, have additional applicants admitted upon the payment of $15 per month, these to be subject to discharge whenever the room is required to give a lodge without full representation in the Home its quota. This rule is, in the opinion of the board, wise, and is working well.

As yet we have not been compelled to discharge anyone for want of room, but the time is fast approaching, and the grand lodge must realize it and make preparation therefor, when the need of a new and additional dormitory will be imperative. We are gradually increasing in number and our rooms are nearly all occupied at the present time.

It would be pretty hard to dismiss a member simply because his lodge had exceeded its quota. Better build more and find room for all.

Each applicant for admission to the Home is required to convey to the trustees all his property, the proceeds of which are to be used for his comfort. When he leaves, the entire principal is returned to him. In Illinois he cannot be admitted so long as he has property. He must use it for his support until it is all gone. Too many complications are likely to arise in handling the beneficiary's property. In the Decoto Home there are 65 men and 37 women. At San Gabriel 50 children are cared for—30 boys and 20 girls.

A Great Oration.

Evidently Bro. Albert G. Burnett filled the bill as grand orator. The record says—

In the presence of a house seated to its fullest capacity W. Bro. Albert G. Burnett delivered his annual oration, and every delegate present will bear witness that it did real good, not only to the ear—for its delivery was as sweetest music—but to the heart and mind and conscience.

It was voted to issue 5,000 copies in pamphlet form. A careful perusal of the oration justifies the high praise it received. Did space permit, many valuable extracts would be inserted here.

A single paragraph will serve as an illustration. He says that—

Men and institutions are and ever will be judged by their work "By their fruits you shall know them." As an order we are willing to submit to that test. Blot out the contribution of masonry to the cause of civilization and of humanity and the world would be poor indeed. Take away from our lives the influence of its principles and we would be fit associates for barbarians and savages.

One other choice sentiment is this—

Indeed, the world needs the red wine of sympathy and love more than it needs the chilling gifts of formal charity.

A Vast Enterprise.

Manifestly the great event of the year was the laying of the corner stone of the Masonic Temple of California. This took place on Wednesday, the grand lodge being called off for that purpose. The ceremonies are given in full. The day must have been a great one for the craft as the ceremonies were most imposing. The total cost of the temple is given at $870,000. The grand lodge voted to buy stock to the amount of $225,000. A loan of $250,000 had been placed and an additional sale of stock of $75,000 was necessary to finance the enterprise. It is doubtful if masonry should involve itself so deeply to compete with other institutions, or with private enterprises. The genius of our great fraternity is more in harmony with less showy and ostentatious display.

The needs of the individual and his dependants are our first concern. This, with the upbuilding of manly character by the vital force of esoteric truth as taught by our great institution, will absorb most of masonic energy and employ all the talents of the craft.

The Liquor Question.

Resolutions prohibiting lodges from receiving petitions of persons engaged in selling intoxicating liquors were presented in abundance.

After pretty full consideration the following amendment was seconded by a majority of the representatives and lies over for action at the next annual session.

No lodge shall receive an application for the degrees of masonry, or for affiliation, from anyone who is engaged, either as principal, agent or employee, in the saloon business, except in connection with, and as a part of the operation of a *bona fide* hotel or restaurant, or who is a barkeeper; and any mason who may hereafter enter upon and engage in the saloon business, either as owner, agent or employee, except in connection with and as part of the operation of a *bona fide* hotel or restaurant, or who shall become a barkeeper, shall be deemed guilty of un-masonic conduct, and shall, upon due trial and conviction of said offense, forfeit all masonic rights and privileges, including membership in any lodge."

It is very evident that the anti-liquor sentiment in the great wine-producing state of California is growing into a volume that must be respected.

Some Fat and Some Lean Salaries.

The appropriations for the coming year contained the following for the several boards of relief—

San Francisco	$2,903.65
Los Angeles	3,000.00
San Diego	600.00
Sacramento	500.00
San Jose	200.00
Total	$7,203.65

The grand secretary is a pretty well paid officer. He was allowed a salary of $3,600. Provision was also made for an assistant grand secretary at a salary of $1,800. With but 343 lodges and 46,000 members to care for, the sum of $5,400 for secretarial service appears almost extravagant. Illinois with over 800 lodges and 110,000 members gets a most excellent grand secretary for $3,000 without any allowance for an assistant.

Then again western liberality is shown in the salary of $2,400 for the grand lecturer. The grand master appears to exist on the honor of his position and an allowance of $1,200 "to be used in defraying actual expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties." Illinois pays the grand master a salary of $2,500 and his expenses in addition.

Great Chunks of Harmony.

The election of grand officers disclosed a most wonderful state of unanimity and concord. Each one was elected by a unanimous vote.

Even the junior grand warden, who is in line of succession to the throne, was chosen without a dissenting vote. This condition is certainly the ideal in masonry. All evidently strive to see who can "best agree."

Another underlined occasion was the work of laying the corner stone of the city hall at Oakland. The presence of the president of the United States gave unusual interest to this public ceremony. The record is as follows—

At 4 o'clock, in the presence of the largest gathering ever assembled in the city of Oakland, including thousands of masons, the soldiers and sailors stationed in this vicinity, the Mayor of Oakland, the Governor of California, and the President of the United States, Grand Master Alonzo J. Monroe laid the corner stone of Oakland's City Hall according to ancient Masonic rites.

The Annual Review

Of grand lodges comes from the skilled hands of Edward H. Hart. He occupies 153 pages in a well prepared summary of the transactions of other grand lodges. Little by way of comment or criticism appears. Mostly quotations and brief summaries of doings of the masonic world are to be found.

Illinois for 1910 gets liberal attention.

It is noted—

It was Past Grand Master Bell's resolutions which were unanimously adopted by the Baltimore Conference, which so effectually put at rest the suggestion or suspicion that the several conferences of grand masters held within the last two or three years, notably those at Philadelphia and Baltimore, were intended as preliminary steps to the formation of a so-called National Grand Lodge.

The reviewer says that—

By virtue of a special report from the committee on correspondence, which was adopted by the grand lodge, recognition was refused to the National Grand Lodge of Egypt, and another special report from the committee on correspondence expresses the attitude of the grand lodge of Illinois toward the grand lodge of Mexico. This report, possessing something of more than ordinary interest, is herewith quoted in full.

Then follows the special report on Mexico without abridgment. He further says—

A learned and masterful oration by R.W. Bro. Frank G. Smith, grand orator, was delivered to the grand lodge, and, upon motion, the grand lodge extended to the orator its deepest gratitude for his able, eloquent and profound Masonic address and ordered a copy of the same printed in the proceedings.

The great work of Brother Robbins is again referred to in strong language. He says that—

The report on masonic correspondence is by Past Grand Master Owen Scott, he having succeeded Brother Edward Cook, who followed the illustrious M.W. Brother Jos. Robbins, who for so many years represented Illinois as committee on foreign correspondence, and who was regarded as one of the greatest masonic intellects that our country has ever produced.

Brother Hart approves Brother Ashley's attitude on documentary evidence in the following unmistakable language. He says—

"Documentary Evidence" is rapidly, through constitutional amendments, limiting the ancient landmark of a master mason's right "to visit"; but in view of the large number of spurious and clandestine Masons of recent years documentary evidence seems a wise and proper limitation imposed upon the ancient landmark.

Grand master, Alonzo J. Monroe, Eureka; grand secretary, John Whicher, San Francisco.

CANADA—1911.

In the Province of Ontario.

413 Lodges. 56th Annual. 48,500 Members.

From some oversight the proceedings of the meeting held July, 1911, did not come into this reviewer's hands until August, 1912. Then, it was after a request from Grand Secretary Cutter. However, it is in time. This grand lodge is one of the excellent working masonic bodies of America. The growth in membership is given at 2,500.

The full page picture of the grand master, M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, in full masonic dress, clearly shows a most forceful head to masonry in the Canadian province.

The 56th annual was duly opened at St. Catharines July 19, 1911, with "M.W. Bro. Daniel Fraser Macwatt, on the throne."

R.W. Bro. Abraham Shaw is recorded as present as the representative of Illinois.

Greetings from the city of St. Catharines were extended via "His Worship, James M. McBride, Esq., mayor of the city." The grand master replied in suitable terms to "his worship."

A very pleasant feature of this occasion was the appearance of the worshipful masters of the lodges in St. Catharines, who presented an address of most cordial welcome.

The grand master's annual was a strictly business document. He jumped immediately into the work of the year without preliminary or attempt at show. He recites at length the unpleasant incident with Michigan but ends with its harmonious adjustment. It is urged that a permanent place of meeting for the grand lodge be secured. The difficulty in going from city to city is that a suitable hall and hotel accommodations cannot always be secured. The problem was left unsolved.

The Bible a Masonic Essential.

The committee on foreign correspondence advises against uniting with the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs at Neuchatel, Switzerland. The reason is given in these words—

A large part of the work of the bureau appears to consist in the advocacy of "harmony" among masonic bodies, and by "harmony" is meant recognition of, and the establishing of fraternal relations with those grand bodies, which have abandoned some of the most important landmarks of masonry by removing the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars, and all recognition of the Great Architect of the Universe from their rituals. Many years ago the Grand Lodge of Canada terminated fraternal intercourse with the grand orient of France for this reason. The grand orient has not to the present time changed its practice, and the grand lodge of Canada has not shown any disposition to recall its edict of non-intercourse. It would surely be an inconsistency in this Grand Lodge to give moral and financial assistance to an organization, one of whose chief endeavors is to proclaim that this grand lodge is wrong.

In the last issue of the bulletin of the International Bureau, which has come under the notice of your committee, is an article approving the action of some German masons who have removed the Volume of the Sacred Laws from their altars and substituted what is called "The White Book." This is a book having the one word "God" on the outside of its covers and all the leaves of the book entirely blank.

This attitude will certainly appeal to all masons of Illinois as the correct position on a vital principle of masonry.

Strikes at Some Abuses.

Grand Master Macwatt severely condemns electioneering for office. He suspended "a brother who had a card printed with his name thereon, as well as the office to which he desired to be elected." This did not stop it, but the grand master announced that he would exercise further discipline, if proof could be obtained.

Life membership is looked upon by the grand master as most undesirable and a breeder of future trouble. Newspaper advertising of the work done in lodges met his disapproval.

Grand Master ASHLEY called attention to the fact that a man who had been rejected by an Illinois lodge had been received and made a mason in one of the lodges under the jurisdiction of the grand lodge of Canada. Grand Master MACWATT replied that—

Our constitution does not recognize perpetual jurisdiction, and if an applicant has resided for one year in our jurisdiction he is eligible. That I had found everything regular, but that if he could show that he had received the degrees through fraud or misrepresentation I would have the matter investigated. I have had no further correspondence in the matter.

CONSTRUING THEIR LAW.

Rulings were made in many cases but only a few are of outside interest. The grand master held that the cornerstone must be laid in the northeast corner of the building. He announced that, under Canada law, a lodge could pay $5.00 to the grand lodge for each life member and be thereafter exempt from payment of grand lodge dues. The grand master refused to permit the conferring of the second and third degrees on a dying brother at his home. He held that "all movements in a lodge room should be by the course of the sun." This might be difficult to put into practice.

He further holds that the report of a majority of the members of an investigating committee is sufficient. Not so in Illinois. In fact there is no such thing as a committee of three. It is really three committees of one each. The lodge wants the investigation made by three members as to the character and fitness of the applicant. Each acts independently of the others and reports personally and privately to the master who announces merely the degree of unanimity.

After full consideration, it was decided that, in view of the condition of masonic affairs in Mexico, fraternal relations be not established with any grand body in that republic. The grand lodge of Liberia was refused recognition.

The grand master refused to consider or countenance the introduction into Ontario of the Order of the Eastern Star. This appears over in the States to be rather ungallant. Indeed, it also looks like a pretty narrow view to take concerning a large and very respectable body of masons, their wives, mothers, sisters and daughters.

The Correspondence Report

Comes from the skilled hand of Bro. A. T. Freed, P.G.M. Illinois is reviewed for 1910 in three and one-half pages. The report is mostly a summary of the actions of our grand lodge. Brother Freed thinks that the present Illinois reviewer will need to put forth his best efforts as the successor of Brothers Robbins and Cook. This is no news. Everyone in the state knows this and the writer realizes it most of all. He says that—

He is quite free in the expression of his opinions—possibly too free. But that raises the question: What is the foreign correspondent expected to do? In one state they do not allow him to express any opinion, nor to offer any criticism. Brother Scott has a poor opinion of the grand lodge Alpina, of Switzerland. It is, he says, "thoroughly in accord with the grand orient of France and other atheistic bodies in the 'bad lands' of southern Europe." He does not like the phrase used in the Canadian proceedings that the grand master, when presiding in grand lodge was "on the throne." His republican feelings are shocked by the word throne. Well, a throne was originally just a seat. The Century dictionary says that the present meaning of the word is "a seat occupied by a sovereign, bishop or other exalted person." And is not a grand master of masons an exalted person? Fie upon you Brother Scott, for trying to belittle the dignity of the highest officer in the craft.

Our brother is mistaken when he thinks the Illinois reviewer would "belittle the dignity of the highest officer of the craft." Not so. He merely feels that the "throne," so long symbolic of royalty with all its horrors of oppression, is not a fitting term to designate the station of the craftsmen elevated temporarily by his brethren to be the chief servant of all.

Brother Freed pays a just tribute to the late P.G.M., John Corson Smith. In his conclusion, the Canadian reviewer expresses the belief that the large growth in membership throughout the world is not a menace to the craft because "Assurance is given that never before were the character and qualifications of candidates scrutinized as closely as now. Masonry strives to be 'first pure, then peaceable' and then to carry on its great mission of teaching truth and practicing charity."

A Graft Scheme.

Brother Freed says—

Another appeal for money is being made by an association of men in Massachusetts "for the erection and permanent maintenance of a masonic temple in the city of Jerusalem, Palestine, under American auspices." Doubtless this cannot be classed with the chain-letter plan of getting money. It is quite probable that, if enough money be raised, a masonic hall of some kind will be opened, and possibly be maintained at Jerusalem. And what good will result? There is already a lodge at

Jerusalem, warranted by the grand lodge of England; what need is there of a lodge "under American auspices?"

Short and Sound.

One of the shortest and soundest creeds for recognition of grand bodies is given by the Canadian writer. He says that—

When a body of masons claiming to be a grand lodge, asks for fraternal recognition it should accompany its application with reasonable proof that it has been legitimately formed; that it practices the fundamental principles of craft masonry; that it acknowledges dependence upon the Great Architect of the Universe; that it places the Volume of the Sacred Law upon its altars; that it is a sovereign and independent body; and that it does not exist for political purposes. If it cannot do this it should not be recognized.

Grand master, Aubrey White, Toronto; grand secretary, R. L. Gunn, Hamilton.

COLORADO—1911.

123 Lodges. 51st Annual. 14,917 Members.

At Denver, September 19 and 20 the masons of Colorado gathered in annual session to take stock and plan for the future. The book of proceedings is a handsome specimen of the printers' art. There are 537 interesting pages, being about 100 fewer than last year. That the masons of the silver state are going forward is shown in a gain of 608 in membership, the holding of 19 special communications, mostly to lay corner stones and the fine fraternal spirit breathed out through a most harmonious session. The tender regard in which the former leaders of the masonic army are held is shown in the first business transacted. This consisted in calling the roll of the past grand masters whose spirits have gone to God who gave them. There were eleven names on this honor roll. At the conclusion a unanimous vote was taken to communicate with the widows of the departed ones and assure them of "the best wishes for their welfare and that the memory of their distinguished husbands is revered by the grand lodge."

The venerable representative of Illinois, Bro. Henry M. Teller, was present. He is the senior past grand master of Colorado.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a brief but pointed document, setting forth in plain language the masonic doings of the year. Suitable mention is made of the death of Past Grand Master John C. Smith.

A request of Grand Master Ashley to permit a Colorado lodge to confer all three of the degrees on a man elected by an Illinois lodge, was refused. The reason was that under their law they are not allowed to make an entered apprentice of anyone unless elected by a Colorado lodge. They can, on request, advance an entered apprentice or fellow craft but the start must be made at home. This appears to be a sound and safe position to assume.

Church Attendance.

Grand Master McGaffey got his wires crossed and gave permission to attend a church service as a lodge. He regretted having given permission and refused all similar requests. He thinks that Masonry is universal and that it will not do to mix up with the differences between Jews, Christians and men of all faiths and beliefs. He concludes by saying—

Attend church as individuals. It is commended unto you, and it is your duty so to do. Go where you please and worship God in your own manner and fashion; but do not go as a lodge, clad in masonic clothing and wearing masonic jewels and regalia. It savors too much of proclaiming to the world our goodness and virtue as an institution.

Keep out of your lodges everything that may, by any possibility, lead to a discussion of any particular religious or political belief, or you will invite trouble and dissension that will work to the injury of our beloved fraternity.

Unfortunately, the committee on jurisprudence took another view of the grand master's correct attitude on this question and left the trouble-door wide open for the future. Permission to meet in the open air on top of a mountain was refused by the grand master.

The grand master made no ruling that he thought merited the dignity of a decision. He did not report any. The "McKinley chain letter" bobbed up here and there during the year. He advised that chain letters or other begging devices that did not come with the approval of the grand master be summarily torn up or otherwise destroyed.

The Oration

Was delivered by Bro. Chas. H. Dudley, grand orator. It was able and inspiring.

The report of the special committee on the Washington Memorial claims credit for the origin of the idea of the movement by Colorado grand lodge as far away as 1893.

Looking forward to the Templar Triennial in 1913 to be held in Denver, the sum of $2,500 was appropriated to assist in defraying expenses.

Special honors were given to WILLIAM B. MELISH, P.G.M. of Ohio; WILLIAM H. NORRIS, P.G.M. of Iowa, and LEE S. SMITH, of Pennsylvania. Brother MELISH is now the chief executive officer of the Knights Templar of the United States.

THE VETERAN CORRESPONDENT

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF, presents his 27th annual review of the grand lodges of the world. That the work is well done needs not to be said. His long service bespeaks the excellence of the work done. In his conclusion, Brother GREENLEAF turns his search light over the great fraternal field. Of Masonic college fraternities he says—

College fraternities, to which reference was made in our 1909 report, have greatly multiplied, until at last advices there were some 24 chapters of what is known as "The Acacia Fraternity" connected with our leading universities, there being one at the University of Colorado. Their purpose and outline of work is thus set forth in its constitution—

We, students, faculty and alumni of various universities and colleges being master masons, and believing that the principles of freemasonry are worthy of the most careful cultivation among universities and college brethren, do hereby adopt this constitution for the purposes of uniting us in a closer friendship, the more effectually to inculcate Masonic principles.

From all that we learn, these fraternities as auxiliaries to masonry, are doing a good work, and there is no occasion for any misgivings as to their beneficial results upon their members, who are among those who have attained the highest honors in scholarship and whose conduct is *sans reproache*.

AS TO ILLINOIS.

To do justice to Illinois five pages are required. He says that "the address of Grand Master ALBERT B. ASHLEY is a very complete presentment of his official acts and the affairs of that large jurisdiction."

Of Bro. FRANK G. SMITH'S oration he says that "the general trend of his splendid effort was the building of the inner spiritual temple of character." Then the beautiful verses, "Souls are built as temples are" were given in full.

The complimentary allusions to the review of 1910 are duly appreciated.

Grand master, H. W. WOODWARD, Leadville; grand secretary, CHARLES H. JACOBSON, Denver.

CONNECTICUT—1912.

110 Lodges. 124th Annual. 23,684 Memrers.

The volume of proceedings has a very handsome front cover page, displaying the compasses and square and seal of grand lodge in gold—"Grand Lodge Records" instead of proceedings is the wording. A gain of 520 members is shown. The number of lodges remains the same.

The inside of the front cover has the "Standard Form of Application" in full. This requires, in addition to the usual recommendations, the name of an "Avoucher." Sometimes Masons seeking affiliation have trouble in convincing the lodge, in which they seek membership, that they are entitled to admission. An avoucher at the start will save much future trouble.

The records show five emergent communications in addition to the annual which was held at Hartford, January 17 and 18, 1912.

Illinois' representative did not answer to roll call. Eleven past grand masters were present.

Brief and Pointed.

The grand master presented a brief and practical annual address. He notes the death of Past Grand Master John C. Smith of Illinois. The death of P.G.M. Samuel Bassett of Connecticut was presented with suitable memorials.

There were 19 dispensations issued, all in accordance with the law of their state. Many "releases of jurisdiction" among lodges of that and other grand lodges were reported. Here we "waive." There they "release." The grand master commends the Order of the Eastern Star as follows; "The good works of this order are well known to us all and it is fitting that public expression of the appreciation of the craft be given." In some places such references would lead some good Masons to think the craft was heading for the eternal bow wows. A few grand lodges will not allow chapters of the Eastern Star to meet in the lodge rooms.

Nominations for Office Unmasonic.

Only two decisions are reported. In one the grand master says, "to my mind the idea of open nominations is repugnant and it is the unwritten law of Masonry that such a course is unmasonic." In Illinois discussion of the merits of brethren proposed for office is barred.

but it is not out of order in grand or constituent lodge to place them in nomination. It aids members to concentrate their votes. Sometimes a distinction is made between "nominations" and "suggestions." This would appear to be a distiction without a difference. To nominate is to name. To suggest the name is precisely the same.

The other decision pertained wholly to Connecticut law.

By report of the grand secretary the "McKinley chain letter" is still doing business, although the monument to the assassinated president is completed and paid for.

In order to weed out frauds and clandestines the Illinois list of regular lodges is commended for use in each lodge.

Connecticut put its O.K. on the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, being but another name for the body with which they are in fraternal relation. Porto Rico was taken into the Connecticut family.

30 Year Masons.

In this grand lodge of New England there is a provision of law exempting from payment of dues all Masons who have been paying members for 30 years. There are in the state 4,627 who pay no dues. There are left 19,057 dues-paying members. In other words, about one of every five pays nothing toward the expense of lodge, grand lodge or Masonic Home. This may be generous but it is scarcely just. The committee on finance suggests that these 4,627 deadheads be told that they will be accorded the "privilege to contribute so much to the cause of charity." Each paying mason has included in his annual dues $1.25 to go into the grand lodge treasury. Of this 90 cents goes to charity and 35 cents to the expenses of the grand lodge. If each of these 4,627 paid 90 cents the fund for the relief of the distressed would receive $4,195, a comfortable sum in the time of need. There are other reasons for condemning an exemption which makes two classes of masons in each lodge.

Committee on grievances found nothing to do as all was harmony. The committee on charters, likewise were without opportunity to work, as no new lodges were organized. Connecticut is most too old to find room for new lodges.

The list of officers shows one grand chaplain and nine associate grand chaplains. These ought to be able to keep the throne of grace suitably advised.

The Annual Review

Fills but 64 pages. It was the fourth written by Bro. Frank W. Havens, past grand master and present grand secretary. Necessarily each grand

lodge is but briefly treated as the space is limited. Illinois for 1911 is not reviewed, presumably because the report went to press too early. Bro. Havens explains that "since the matter was on the press a number of proceedings have been received." The omission is to be regretted as by another year the work of 1911 will be a little musty.

Grand master, Justin Holden, Norwich; grand secretary, Frank W. Havens, Hartford.

CUBA—1910-1911.

73 Lodges. 52nd Annual. 3,038 Members.

To review Cuba properly would require an ability to read and translate the Spanish language. All the proceedings, except the grand master's address, the grand secretary's report and the introduction to the report on correspondence, are in that language. The writer regrets exceedingly his want of knowledge of the beautiful tongue of old Spain. However, much of the doings of this island grand lodge can be gleaned from the portions which appear in English. The translation might be much improved but it enables the reviewer to discern something of interest to Illinois masons. The report covers sessions held at various times from June, 1910, to March 30, 1911.

A gain in membership of 408 is shown by the grand secretary.

The grand master, Aurelio Miranda, in his annual address appears in great modesty. He disclaims fitness for the executive office but assumes that his brethren wanted to honor him for his good services as grand secretary and grand treasurer. However he may feel, his report shows that he is quite as capable of directing the affairs of the craft as in recording their doings or safeguarding their funds. He has a correct conception of the scope of Masonry when he says that—

> There have been many persons initiated, a good thing if all the new members admitted are, as they ought to be, worthy persons, a recommendation to that end should always be repeated, for it is not the quantity but the quality of the membership which must please us.

Our Cuban brethren are struggling with a temple debt of $20,000. Advance has been made as $5,000 have been paid. A brother has accepted a new mortgage of $15,000 with interest at 9 per cent instead of 10 per cent.

Death laid on a heavy hand by taking a number of their active and substantial workers. The death of JOHN C. SMITH of Illinois is noted and described as "a most decided friend of Cuba."

PUT HIS OWN MONEY INTO MASONRY.

Grand Master MIRANDA showed his zeal for our great fraternity by writing and printing a "pamphlet intended to circulate among non-masons," entitled "Freemasonry—the grand lodge of the Island of Cuba." The entire expense was borne by Brother MIRANDA. Ten thousand copies were circulated through the lodges.

Evidently in the Cuban War in 1898 masonry suffered seriously with every other institution. The grand master says—

Although twelve years have elapsed since the war for Independence ended and although all kinds of efforts have been made to the end, not all the old lodges are again in working order. Perhaps the delay has been caused by the insecurity to be noted yet in the country, insecurity reflected as well in the single person as in societies, more to be noted in certain localities than in others; but it is a fact that in many places Masonry has not been reorganized. There have been some localities in which Masons have assembled but the lodge could not start in due time, no consolidation having been effected, in others not even that could be done. I have worked during the past year trying to revive those lodges and although something has been done the grand lodge cannot be satisfied with that partial success.

He then urges renewed efforts along this line.

STOPPING THE LEAKS.

The grand secretary rejoices that his report shows that only 154 were dropped for non-payment of dues, being 100 less than the previous year.

It appears that in Cuba there is one English speaking body, viz., Island lodge. The grand master paid them a visit and witnessed "the raising of a brother F.C. to the sublime degree with their impressive and interesting ritual." As the "gem of the Antilles" advances there should be many lodges working in the language of "the mother grand lodge of the world."

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

Is written by F. DE P. RODRIGUEZ. Only the introduction is in English. The body containing the review of Illinois is in Spanish. Here is where our Cuban brother has the advantage. He can say all manner of things and those so ignorant as to be unable to speak or read Spanish are none the wiser. However, this reviewer does not fear. The fraternal spirit shown in the past that is understandable is an earnest

of the good will in it all. A single paragraph from the introduction will suffice to show the strength of the whole. He says that—

The space of a single year is so short compared with the millions of years already employed by our planet in its development and with the thousand years noted in written history, that it is almost impossible that in such space will always happen great and conspicuous facts in any human society however numerous it may be. Masonry is not apt to great changes, to great sensations, but even so something is always found worthy of mention in our annals as a proof of our energies, of our progress, of our victories.

Since writing the foregoing, Bro. Robert J. Kellogg, professor of modern languages in the James Millikin University at Decatur, has kindly furnished an excellent translation of the Cuban report on correspondence.

Brother Rodriguez rejoices that the present attitude of the grand lodge of Illinois is more friendly toward Cuba than heretofore. Whatever the opinion may have been regarding Cuban masonry, prior to recognition, there is no reason now other than to accord full fellowship to our brethren of the Caribbean republic.

The present reviewer hopes to see the methods of propagating the growth of the craft more English and American and less Spanish.

Grand master, Aurelio Miranda, Havana; grand secretary, Carlos G. Charles, Havana.

DELAWARE—1911.

22 Lodges. 106th Annual. 3,224 Members.

Though one of the oldest, yet Delaware is one of the smallest stars in the Masonic skies. Delaware is also one of the smallest in territory and population. Only Nevada, with 82,000 and Wyoming, with 146,000, fall below its 202,000 people. The proportion of Masons to population, however, shows up pretty well in comparison with the larger states. A small membership makes it difficult to meet some of the propositions that present themselves for adjustment.

The book of proceedings of a busy two-day session, held October 4 and 5, 1911, is a very good looking volume. It is graced by the fine face of the retiring grand master, G. Layton Grier. A gain in membership of 93 shows progress.

Illinois was unrepresented, owing to the absence of Bro. George M. Jones.

The Grand Master's Address

Is an excellent summary of the year's work. Though he deplores the fact that his time was limited by the pressure of his own business, yet Brother Grier actually visited every one of the lodges under his control. No special communications were found necessary and none were held. A request to lay the corner stone of a church on Sunday was declined, because masonry observes the day of rest without masonic labor.

The grand master reports that a lodge in Pennsylvania invaded their jurisdiction by conducting a funeral service in Delaware over one of their brethren. The attention of the grand master of Pennsylvania was called to this but he ignored the complaint and did not show Delaware the courtesy of a reply. Pennsylvania is a big state in territory, in population and in its masonic membership, but to refuse to answer the just complaint of little Delaware shows that in some things it can be pretty small.

Let Them Double Up.

The grand master indulged in the questionable practice of allowing lodges to confer two or three degrees at one meeting where candidates suddenly got in a hurry. This practice is an injury to those who are made masons in such a way. Rarely, if ever, do they go back and learn what is so essential to them in their future masonic lives. In one case a dispensation was refused for a soldier who had only resided six months in the jurisdiction of the lodge.

Wade-Barney lodge of Bloomington, Ill., requested a Delaware lodge to confer all three degrees on a candidate who had been elected by the Illinois lodge. The request was properly declined. There was no way to identify the man. Where entered apprentices seek advancement in other states, it may be done by consent of the proper authorities of both grand lodges. It is not proper, however, to ask foreign lodges to initiate persons from outside grand jurisdictions.

Want a Masonic Home.

Efforts to establish a Home for Masonic dependents is started in little Delaware. With a membership of but little over 3,000 the practical, business obstacles are plenty. To build and equip a Home for a small number costs proportionately much more than for a larger one. The fixed charges for 50 dependents are almost as much as for 100. The Masonic Home committee recommended that a corporation be formed and that the accumulation of a fund be begun. A per capita

tax of $1.00 was levied but this brings in but $3,224. In Illinois 35 cents per member produces $38,500. Delaware would want to erect a building that would stand as a respectable monument to the fraternal impulses of her royal craft. To do this takes more money than so small a jurisdiction can readily command. However, the courageous determination to relieve the worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan is truly commendable.

Grand Master GRIER closes his annual address with the following choice words. He says—

And let us remember, finally, that masonry does not consist in the mere repetition of the words of a ritual, in the performance of mystic rites and the perfunctory observance of the ancient landmarks. These are only the means but masonry is that spirit which constantly seeks to exemplify those virtues which are impressed upon all masons from the youngest entered apprentice to your most exalted officers.

ILLINOIS MISSING.

The committee does not review the proceedings of Illinois because they did not reach the reviewer in time. This grand lodge was held the week following Delaware and Grand Secretary CUTTER made almost record time in getting out the proceedings. Brother GUTHRIE must have "gone to press" rather early or he could have had Illinois for review. Fourteen other grand lodges were too late to get into the report.

The death of Bro. JOHN C. SMITH, P.G.M. of Illinois, is suitably noted by the committee on necrology. The sum of $100 was appropriated to the Washington Memorial Fund. Just before the election for grand officers took place, the grand secretary was instructed "to procure a ballot box for the use of the grand lodge." With but 22 lodges this method of election might be possible.

In Illinois grand lodge, where over 2,000 votes were cast, many boxes would have been necessary. It might be desirable to adopt the Australian ballot system with its registration of voters and booths to secure a secret ballot.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW.

P.G.M. HARRY J. GUTHRIE for the committee presented a very interesting report in review of other grand lodges. As explained Illinois and 14 others are not in it. In his summary Brother GUTHRIE says—

Of statutory law, we believe there is enough and to spare. Of the practice of our precepts, every masonic community can stand a great deal more. The red tape of the purist, who deals in technicalities, and the unattainable attitude of the idealist, we cannot quite reconcile our-

self with, although both have their sphere. We believe in a freemasonry that finds a practical application for its philosophy, in the pure principles of the golden rule, and in a Freemasonry that is a progressive science, at once orderly and logically arranged.

In using the editorial "we" the Delaware correspondent is led to use the absurd "ourself"—why not cut out the old journalistic anachronism and where it is necessary to use the personal pronoun say "I" and "myself." In fact, there is little need of putting the reviewer's personality into his report. He writes for his grand lodge and to the craft throughout his jurisdiction.

The regret was felt keenly when Illinois did not appear in the Delaware brother's excellent review.

Grand master, Enoch Moore, Wilmington; grand secretary, V. V. Harrison, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—1911.

29 Lodges. 101st Annual. 9,111 Members.

Though small in territory and necessarily limited in membership, the grand lodge embracing the capitol city of this country presents a handsome book of proceedings of about 500 pages. This does not include the record of the one hundredth anniversary. That is given in a special volume devoted exclusively to recording the centenary meeting. The regular volume opens with a full-page picture of J. Claude Keiper, the retiring grand master.

Numerous sessions are held during the year. As all lodges are practically within the City of Washington, the worry of travel and the payment of mileage are eliminated.

The Work Meeting.

The "first communication" was held March 11, 1911, by virtue of a constitutional requirement for the "exemplification of the degrees." The sole business was the presentation of the "esoteric portions of the degrees of entered apprentice, fellow craft and master mason." From the manner in which the writer, in company with R.W. Bro. Chas. H. Martin of Illinois, saw the third degree given in a lodge in the city of Washington some twenty years ago, to a flock of candidates, it can

readily be understood how the work could have been exhaustingly (?) presented in all the degrees in one evening.

The "second communication" on May 10, was devoted to general business.

A full report of the committee on correspondence was made, giving details of the ruction in Valle de Mexico. The committee found that the "status of the Grand Lodge of Mexico is unchanged" except in name. Hence the O.K. was placed on the "York Grand Lodge." The metamorphosed Valle de Mexico, after the rebellion, resulted in two grand lodges claiming exclusive control over masonry in the same territory. The report showed the total expense of the celebration of the grand lodged centennial was $2,808.43.

Two items were "religious service, $191. 30," and "banquet, $1,030.53." There was some religion and evidently a big feed. The third communication was September 23, 1911.

At this P.G.M. Nichols, of Texas, was cordially welcomed.

Join the Fair to Hold a Fair.

A proposition was presented by the Grand Chapter O.E.S. to join in a fair to raise money for reducing the "Masonic Temple" debt and completing the building of the "Masonic and Eastern Star Home." The matter was referred to an appropriate committee. A special was called for October 14 to receive the report. The grand lodge decided to enter upon this plan of raising money and fixed a time early in 1912 for holding the fair. A few days later another special was held to lay the corner stone of the new temple of the Scottish Rite of the city of Washington. Most elaborate ceremonies characterized this auspicious occasion.

The annual communication was held December 20, 1911. This was much like the other "communications" except that the summaries of the year's work appear. The grand master presented an able address. He notes the death of "John Corson Smith, past grand master of Illinois, December 31, 1910."

Few Decisions Reported.

But four decisions were reported. These were given with the correspondence leading up to them. Much unnecessary space was thus consumed, the mere legal proposition in a few words being sufficient. In one case a member of congress from Texas undertook to establish a residence in the capitol city, because his duties required his presence in Washington much of the time. It was decided that he belonged to

Texas. The correctness of this decision is apparent because he must reside in Texas to hold his job as a congressman. It did not matter where the applicant sojourned.

The grand master deprecates the issuance of numerous dispensations and then goes on to report a large number sent out. He declined some others.

Can't Stop the Leak.

The report showed a net gain of only 106 members. The small increase is accounted for by the large number of losses. Suspension for non-payment of dues, cut down very materially the gain in membership. The grand master places the blame for this on secretaries who do not collect dues but let them accumulate. Truly much of the efficiency of the lodge comes from the vigilance of the secretary.

The committee on "Masonic Temple" expressed the belief that "with the exercise of economy in all directions, another year would see the receipts equal, if they do not exceed, the expenditures." Grand Master Keiper heartily commends the efforts of the Order of the Eastern Star to maintain its Home. He urges hearty co-operation of the grand lodge.

Grand Master Plays With Fire.

Two Masonic clubs, the "Trowel" and the "Fellowship" are heartily approved by the grand master. He is on questionable ground in endorsing these organizations, which establish distinctions among craftsmen who are supposed "to meet upon the level and part upon the square." One other and final meeting for the year was held. It is called "St. John's Day Communication" and was held December 27, 1911. The chief business at this gathering was the report of the committees on jurisprudence and on the address of the grand master made at the annual meeting, held one week before. The grand master was fully sustained. Two points were especially noted. One was that "the lodge has no power to control the action of the master in the exercise of his discretion in the administrative affairs of his lodge." The other confirmed the decision regarding the Texas congressman who sought to establish masonic residence in Washington.

Grand officers were elected and installed.

The reports show that the "Masonic and Eastern Star Home" shelters and maintains 17 members, both men and women.

The Annual Review.

P.G.M. George W. Baird presents the annual review of grand lodges. This is the 12th from his hand. It is well written, as might be expected from one so long engaged in this work.

Either by error of the printer or oversight of the correspondent, the review of Illinois is given for "1910." It should have been 1911. He refers to P.G.M. JOHN C. SMITH, as "a central figure in the grand lodge of Illinois for the past 30 years" and that he "was well known and admired over the entire Masonic world." Thorough approval was given to the attitude of Grand Master ASHLEY on the relation that Masonry bears to religion. He says that—

The grand master has sounded a key-note in this. Masonry is not a religion nor does it make any pretensions to being such, though priests call it a "sect." It has been defined as a system of morals veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. It does not assume to give absolution nor to indulge in any other species of sorcery.

GALLANT BUT NOT OLD.

Grand Master ASHLEY is referred to as a "gallant old fellow" because he delivered an anniversary address for the Eastern Star. Have a care, Brother BAIRD, Brother ASHLEY may have passed his three score and ten but he might not admit that he is an "old fellow."

The report of our committee on appeals and grievances comes in for a handsome compliment. He says—

We love to read the Illinois report on grievances, because it has no word in it which would afford testimony against masonry, but, at the same time, it gives masons all the information necessary. It so often occurs that grievance and appeal reports divulge the most damaging testimony which might be turned against the craft as "horrible examples." Such horrible individuals exist in all organizations, but a wise reporter will not invite attention to them.

ILLINOIS FARTHER COMMENDED.

Two other committees are held up as worthy of imitation. He says—

The reports of committees on lodges U.D. and also on chartered lodges are models; too long to be reproduced here, but for those especially interested we beg leave to refer to the Illinois report for 1911.

Also this is pleasing to the writer—

The report on masonic correspondence is by Past Grand Master Owen Scott; it is a splendid essay. He places the different subjects under separate captions, which affords easy reference. He has a pleasant way of smoothing, the right way, the contemporaries with whom he does not agree.

Brother BAIRD still insists that Illinois was not consistent with its former attitude in recognizing the grand lodge of Holland. This because the latter is in fraternal relation with the Atheistic "Grand Orient of France."

A Distinction with Little Difference.

Regarding the Shrine and Templarism the D.C. reviewer says that—

Under the caption of Pennsylvania he (the Illinois reviewer) invites attention to the distinction made between the shrine, which is not masonic, and consequently not afforded room in the temple, and the commandery of K.T., likewise not masonic, which is rented space in the temple. We noted the same item in the Pennsylvania report and had much the same thought as is expressed by Brother Scott; but a distinction appeared to the writer, which was sufficient. The commandery of K.T. is essentially a Christian order, espousing the moral and religious side of masonry, while the shrine, paraphases and makes fun of some very beautiful portions of the Mussulmans creed; the one is serious, the other is comic. It is not right to ridicule any man's creed. There is a possibility of the Mohammedan being right, and a possibility of our being wrong.

There may be some distinction here but where is the difference? Neither is masonic, though templarism may be more commendable than the shrine.

Grand master, Ben W. Murch, Washington; grand secretary, Arvine W. Johnston, Washington.

ENGLAND—1911-12.

2,843 Lodges. Founded 1717. 210,000 Members. (Estimated.)

The writer is in hearty sympathy with the following paragraph taken from the review of the English grand lodge by the New York correspondent. He says that—

The entire business system here is so entirely different from ours that it is rather difficult to extract a complete or comprehensive report, but one thing is in evidence and readily apparent, that the main feature of the work in dear old "Mother Grand Lodge" is *Charity*, and the great care and thorough business management bestowed upon their great institutions, homes, orphan asylums, schools, etc. Truly, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth are thoroughly exemplified by our English brethren and their dependencies, which are scattered over all the globe, wherever the sun shines on the king's dominion. War and rumors of war may distract the world profane, but within the sanctuary of Mother Grand Lodge white-winged peace reigns supreme.

Beautiful Benevolences.

To show the wonderful work for relief done by this grand old mother grand lodge the following extract is of absorbing interest—

"The Freemason," of January 6, 1912, states that the income of various masonic institutions for 1911, was as follows:

Royal Masonic School for Girls..... £32,696 ($163,500)
Royal Masonic School for Boys..... £36,624 ($183,125)
Royal Benevolent Institution£116,764 ($538,820)

In addition to this the board of benevolence extended relief to 409 cases, amounting to £15,290 ($76,450).

During the 20 years, ending 1911, no less than £2,016,157 ($10,080,785) has been subscribed to the three worthy institutions above mentioned.

Absence in Canada no Bar.

A quarterly communication was held December 11, 1911. At this the Duke of Connaught was nominated for grand master to succeed himself. At the next quarterly, he was unanimously chosen and announced with his half-page of titles. See Illinois correspondence report for 1911 for particulars.

He will be absent as governor general of Canada during the entire year. Thus the office of grand master can be only nominal and conferred merely as an honor without any thought of service to the craft.

At this quarterly Bro. Augustus F. Webster, "provincial grand master for Hampshire and the Isle of Wright," presented the grand lodge a check for 400 guineas, or about $2,000. He said that this "represents a donation from every lodge in the province as well as many personal donations from individual members in the province." This sum was to go to the "building fund." It is hoped to raise a fund of $1,000,000 or £200,000 for this purpose.

English and German Relations.

Lord Ampthill is the pro grand master and the actual official head of the Grand Lodge of England. At the meeting in March, 1912, he was "on the throne."

Brother Ampthill took occasion to make informal report of a visit to Berlin and his cordial and courteous reception by German masons. Among other things the pro grand master said that—

I learnt further, with keen gratification, that many of the brethren in Germany have long since been deeply convinced that freemasonry may yet prove to be a great and potent agency for promoting good feeling between one nation and another, not by any public demostrations or those methods depending upon the publicity and advertisement which

are the resources of ordinary and ephemeral organizations, but by the private and friendly intercourse of individuals. It is such intercourse, they maintain, which tends better than anything else to remove misunderstanding due to false public information and to spread in ever widening circles, like the noiseless ripples of a pebble thrown into a lake, the influences of mutual respect and good feeling.

A resolution was adopted looking to a relation "more active, more intimate and more fruitful of benefit to freemasonry and to the cause of good will between our two nations."

Is this Fair to Queensland?

Remnants of a seeming injustice to the brethren of Queensland are shown by reports of three quarterly meetings of the "District Grand Lodge of Freemasons of England," held at Brisbane during the past year.

Though Queensland has a grand lodge of its own, yet the "mother" of masonry maintains a rival organization in this Australian province. England, Ireland and Scotland have a tri-partite agreement in the recognition of new grand lodges in British provinces that stands squarely in the way of that harmony and concord so inherent in freemasonry. Why not let all lodges in these provinces go scot-free from the three ancient worthies, so that the cause of fraternity "may go unvexed to the sea" of helpfulness to humanity?

Since writing the foregoing the report of the quarterly communication held May 2, 1912, is at hand. In this appears the following significant statement.

Correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Ireland in connection with their contemplated recognition of the body in Queensland calling itself the Grand Lodge of Queensland was read.

Is this the dawn for Queensland?

At the annual grand festival held April 24 the principal work outside of the feast, was to proclaim the grand officers duly in place for another year. The pro grand master took occasion to say that fewer had been given "past grand rank" because it was not desirable to cheapen these purely honorary gifts.

The quarterly held June 5, 1912, had nothing beyond routine matters before it.

Grand master, Duke of Connaught; pro grand master, Lord Amptill; grand secretary, Edward Letchworth, Freemasons' Hall, London.

FLORIDA—1912.

209 Lodges. 83rd Annual. 10,131 Members.

The state of flowers and alligators has a grand master of whom the craft may be justly proud. He is Governor Albert W. Gilchrist. Some men have felt that it was a greater honor to be called to serve the masons as grand master than to be governor of their commonwealths. Brother Gilchrist does not need to settle this perplexing question, for he is both at the same time. His sturdy features adorn the fine book of proceedings. The session was held at Jacksonville January 15-18.

Florida is the first for 1912 to come under review. Substantial growth in membership is shown in twelve new lodges and a gain of 627 members.

Illinois was represented by James C. Craver, our local diplomat.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a careful review of the business of the year. It is almost entirely devoid of suggestion, criticism or comment. The grand master-governor allows his actions to speak in lieu of words, setting forth the genius and symbology of masonry. The death of the grand orator, grand sword bearer and a district deputy is noted with suitable comments. The passing of our own John C. Smith is duly recorded.

The law was allowed to run its course and few dispensations were issued. There were fifteen decisions, mostly mere explanations of local law. During the year the grand master left affairs for one month in the hands of deputy grand master, Geo. B. Glover, who makes report of his actions.

The Florida law requires that "all jurisdictional communications shall be sent through the office of the grand master." This refers to requests by a lodge in one state for the work to be done on a candidate by a lodge in another state. It accords with Illinois procedure.

An Embarrassing Adornment.

Our southern neighbor sports a very large and troublesome mortgage indebtedness. Its grand lodge temple is weather-boarded over with a debt of $98,000. For a membership of a trifle over 10,000 the load is a pretty heavy one. The grand lodge would be pardoned if it were to be both sway-backed and bow-legged.

The Jacksonville chapter of the Eastern Star sent felicitations which the grand lodge politely reciprocated.

The committee on jurisprudence recommended "that none of the decisions or rulings be printed as new regulations, being already covered by existing law." Many such should never be reported by the grand master, as they merely lumber up the record and confuse by multiplying and duplicating law already in force.

They Don't Go Outside.

Buenos Ayres, in South America, asked that a lodge be chartered by the state of the Everglades. The request was refused because this grand lodge has steadily refrained from the granting of charters for lodges to be located in countries outside of the immediate jurisdiction of Florida."

"The trustees of the Masonic Home and Orphanage" expressed thanks "to the grand chapter O.E.S. for its unabated and valued assistance and co-operation."

Governor Gilchrist was re-elected as grand master. Only the grand orator and grand sword bearer were installed. "All other grand officers having been re-elected or re-appointed, their installation was not necessary at this time." In Illinois all officers are installed each year regardless of re-election or re-appointment.

The Annual Review

Comes again from Bro. Silas B. Wright. It is his tenth offense but one that, from its excellence, may freely be pardoned. He thinks the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences have "been productive of much good and several of the minor differences in the laws have been changed to conform to the common good and much friction between grand jurisdictions has been removed."

Regarding Illinois he says that Grand Master Ashley "ably presents and comments upon a large number of matters of importance to the craft." Our good brother is slightly in error in regard to our Homes. He says "there are two Masonic Homes, one at Chicago and one at Sullivan, beside the Orphans' Home at LaGrange." The Chicago and LaGrange Homes are one and the same. Formerly the Orphans' Home was in Chicago, but it has been recently moved to LeGrange, thirteen miles west of the city. Another error crept in. Brother Wright says, "At Sullivan they have forty acres in the tract, of which twenty are used as a truck farm, which is quite profitable." Bless your heart, my brother, our late brother Robert A. Miller gave our grand lodge 264 big, broad, black acres. Of this forty are used for Home purposes. The remainder is farmed. How profitable it will be, is yet to be demonstrated.

The review is brief and in large part merely summarizes the doings of the Illinois grand lodge for 1910.

Grand master, ALBERT W. GILCHRIST, Tallahassee; grand secretary, WILBER P. WEBSTER, Jacksonville.

GEORGIA—1911.

618 LODGES. 125TH ANNUAL. 35,323 MEMBERS.

The Georgia grand lodge comes about three weeks after that of Illinois. Hence, the proceedings of each, when they come to hands of the reviewers, read much like ancient history. Consequently the Illinois records are for 1910.

The Georgia session was held at Macon, November 2, 3 and 4. A steel plate giving the serene countenance of Grand Treasurer J. M. RUSKIN, opens the volume.

There were present "past masters, not representing lodges," a list almost, if not quite, as large as that of accredited delegates from lodges. Bro. A. Q. MOODY, in his review of Illinois, says "Brother SCOTT made one mistake. He said the resolution to cut off the pay of past masters was passed. The vote went the other way." Think of paying 600 past masters for attending grand lodge, while an equal number of representatives were on the grand lodge pay roll. Generous Georgia!

The name of the representative of Illinois did not appear among those representing other grand lodges.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Was a lengthy and painstaking document. He says—

Freemasonry in Georgia is today at high tide. The great order, like an ever-flowing sea, with its tide rising, rising, goes forward in the broad sweep of its swelling prosperity. We need to thank God, the Great Artificer, and to take courage; but, while pressing forward to the yet greater things which lie before us, we should let our hearts be constrained to humility and take heed that we do not seek to grow too rapidly in numbers.

A novelty appears in Brother NAPIER'S "quartologue," whatever that freshly coined word may mean. The "quart" comes in the four cardinal virtues of masonry—temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice. The

"ologue" is in the four distinguished past grand masters, each of whom is made to personify one of the virtues. These were as follows;

J. W. Taylor—fortitude,
Max Meyerhardt—prudence,
Thos. H. Jeffries—temperance,
Henry Banks—justice.

In all masonic writing this "quartologue" stands unique.

In his decisions the grand master deals the "near-beer" dispenser a body blow. He is not eligible for membership in a masonic lodge. If already in, he must get out, or be put out, when he enters the "near-beer" business.

Likes the Ladies.

The grand master has many kind words for the sisters of the Eastern Star. He says, "we are in fraternal association with the Order of the Eastern Star. Our good sisters are doing much for the Masonic Home." He then shows how the sum of $1,046.29 was raised during 1911—and adds, "This is truly a splendid showing." Thereupon pays the following tribute.

The Eastern Star is growing, and deservedly so. Where its chapters are organized interest in masonry is quickened, and men seem more zealous when they see the interest of their wives, sisters and sweethearts in the work and mysteries of the Eastern Star.

The noble women who compose the order in Georgia are the flower of our womanhood. They inspire our hearts that we feel, they anoint our eyes that we see, they touch our lips that we speak. They are the fairest among forty thousand and altogether lovely.

The Masonic Home

Is reported as housing twenty-eight children and eight old people, only one of whom is a man. The grand master then strenuously urges the segregation of children and the aged. It is urged that the old people be supported in the home of friends or relatives and be paid for by the grand lodge. It costs $193 to support each member of the home. This looks well in theory but in practice Brother Napier would find placing aged people in families a most difficult and unsatisfactory proceeding. Where taken often the care and attention would be far from adequate. The grand master urges, if the plan of outside support be undertaken, that the lodge with which the dependent is connected pay one-half the amount to support him. The problem of caring for aged, feeble and sickly men and women is a hard one to solve. The Home supported by the grand lodge appears as altogether the best method.

Wants a Showy Temple.

The grand master is much in favor of a temple, so that masonry may make a show to the world. The old institution has been oftener "derogated from the commanding position of the craft," by the building of a costly edifice liberally ornamented by solid debts and beautiful mortgages. Masonry needs no monument of brick and stone. It is its own best exemplar. A building exclusively for masonic uses with no commercial adjuncts might be of value. The masons of Indianapolis have such a structure. It is ideal in architecture and appointments. The masonic sky-scrapers for stores, offices and lodge rooms are beset with troubles and trials and embarrassments.

Free Will Offering.

Georgia has a regulation calling for a free-will offering from every lodge during the annual meeting when officers are elected. This goes to the Masonic Home and amounted to $800 in 1910. There is no compulsion, but each gives solely as moved by the spirit of masonic charity.

Grand Master Napier closes his excellent address by giving a complete review of "masonry in our own land." He traces the masonic affiliation of the makers of the American nation from Revolutionary times to the present. It is most interesting, but its great length prohibits insertion here.

The grand master presented a solid silver set of working tools and vessels of consecration for use in laying corner-stones and other public ceremonies.

An Ideal Report.

The report of grand secretary, W. A. Wolihin, comes almost to the point of the ideal. Two pages are sufficient to give a summary of the facts and figures of his office for the year. He indulges in no rhetoric or high sounding phrases. He leaves symbolism and other general topics to the grand master where they properly belong. Some grand secretaries try to be "the whole thing" instead of being content to keep the records and report the business of the grand lodge.

The first evening a corps of deputies exemplified the work of the third degree. This is intended to suggest correct methods of work but is scarcely sufficient to meet the needs of the brethren. A system of schools would be far more effective.

The committee on "general welfare" approved the annual free will offering for the Home on the occasion of the election of officers.

District Deputy System a Failure.

This committees votes that the "district deputy system is a failure." Instead the suggestion is made that "the grand officers apportion the state between themselves and they have imposed on them the duty of inspecting the several lodges within the territory assigned." In a big state and with a limited corps of grand officers this plan has in it the making of a man's job for each one.

Georgia pays its grand treasurer a salary of $900 and receives credit for interest on deposits of $1,002.48.

The finance committee reported that no temple should be undertaken until a fund sufficient to build without involving the grand lodge in a debt, had been accumulated.

The list of grand lodges recognized by Georgia is the same as that of Illinois, with three additions; viz., Costa Rica, Porto Rico and Valley of Mexico.

The Annual Review

Is the eleventh from Bro. A. Q. Moody. He uses 132 pages and gives a brief summary of the doings of fifty-seven grand lodges. The report is well written, but is sparing of comment or criticism. Illinois for 1910 is given three pages. In these are crowded the gist of the transactions of our grand lodge. He says that "the eloquent prayer of the grand chaplain is given in full." He quotes liberally from Grand Master Ashley's report. The receipts of the grand treasurer of Illinois are given as $50,449.03." With each one of the 101,547 members paying into the grand lodge 90 cents, our brother can readily see that he got his financial eyes crossed in making his report.

The reviewer says—"Bro. Frank G. Smith, grand orator, made a fine address." Then a pretty large quotation from Brother Smith is made.

Aside from correcting an error alluded to elsewhere, the Illinois report on correspondence is merely used for two brief quotations and then passed over in silence.

Grand master, Geo. M. Napier, Decatur; grand secretary, W. A. Wolihin, Macon.

HOLLAND—1911.

101 Lodges. Organized Dec. 25, 1756. 4,600 Members.

The proceedings of Holland are in the Dutch language and this reviewer is unable to read and translate them. The figures given above are from Bro. H. J. W. Van Lawick, grand secretary, in a private letter responding to a request for information. Being unable to translate the proceedings of Holland the Illinois correspondent takes the liberty of using the review appearing in the New York proceedings for 1912.

Grand master: Bro. S. M. Hugo van Gijn, Dordrecht.

Deputy grand master: Bro. A. S. Carpenter Alting, at The Hague.

Grand secretary: Bro. H. J. W. Van Lawick.

Deputy grand secretary and address: Bro. J. Boudewijnse, Balistraat 74, The Hague.

This grand lodge was constituted December 25, 1756. Its jurisdiction covers one provincial grand lodge each in the East Indies, Cape Colony and the Transvaal, being sovereign altogether over 101 St. John's lodges. Of these 51 are located in Holland, 31 in South Africa, 17 in the East Indies and 2 in the West Indies. Besides, there are 4 masonic circles. The total membership foots up to about 4,600.

A branch, named Comenius, of the Comenius society, has been established at Amsterdam by the masonic foundation. Adolescents, aged from 17 to 21 years, are eligible for membership, free of entrance dues. The purpose of the new institution is to bring home to them the serious, masonic view of life, for which end lectures of the proper quality are being arranged for.

During the past year M.W. Bro. Vas Visser, P.G.M., entered the Eternal East. He was a loyal and zealous craftsman and an active supporter of the principles of humanistic masonry.

The grand lodge held a session on June 18, 1911, at The Hague, the grand master in the chair. One of the matters there considered was the relations between the Netherlands and New York. M.W. Bro. van Gijn stated that a letter had been received from the Grand Lodge of New York, in which the wish for an exchange of mutual representatives was expressed. The grand master called our body the largest and most influential in America and favored the project most warmly. The assembled masons supported his views by a unanimous vote to that effect. The report of the executive committee for 1911 contains a complete account of the negotiations between New York and the Netherlands, with respect to an exchange of representatives.

A matter of interest on the agenda of the session was the motion of the subordinate lodge, "L'Union Royale" in The Hague, favoring the despatching of a letter to the Grand Lodge of New York, wherein the warm sympathy of the Netherlands with President Taft's projected arbitration treaty with Great Britain is to be expressed. The representa-

tive of the lodge pointed out, in supporting the motion, that an excellent opportunity to make known Holland's sentiments with respect to the treaty lay in the carrying out of the purpose of both bodies to exchange guarantors of amity. This view was opposed by Bro. J. Isebree Moens, representative of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Hamburg in Berlin, who declared that masonic powers in Anglo-Saxon lands refuse to treat of or to discuss any subject having political implications. To mention the arbitration treaty in a letter to New York dealing with the subject of fraternal intercourse was, in his opinion therefore, a mistake. Finally, it was resolved to send a letter favoring the ratification of the arbitration treaty to all the masonic powers in this country, as follows:

Dear Gentlemen and Brethren:

In its last meeting the Grand East of the Netherlands unanimously expressed its great sympathy for the impetus that Bro. William Taft, in his high and influential position of president of the greatest and mightiest republic of the world, gave to the grand cause of the peaceful settlement of all possible differences between the nations by his attempt to conclude a treaty of unlimited arbitration with Great Britain.

The grand east resolved that the strong and heartfelt desire should be expressed in the order of freemasons in the Netherlands that the movement for the peaceful settlement of differences amongst the nations shall have the support of the whole civilized world and that the brethren under Netherlandic constitution should express their hope that the brethren of the United States of America will give their strongest help to the generous effort of their president and brother. The supreme government executes this resolution with the greatest satisfaction. It hopes that indeed by the help of every good citizen, and so in the first place by that of every freemason, the noble cause of arbitration shall be supported, and that in the nearest future it may be said that a great and true freemason was the first to bring into practice an idea that more than any other can benefit human kind. With the most fraternal salutations,

The Supreme Government of the Grand East of the Netherlands,
S. M. Hugo van Gijn,
Grand Master,
Van Lawick,
Grand Secretary.

The Hague, July, 1911.

A conference of masons, preceding the convocation referred to, was held on June 17, 1911, with the grand master presiding.

It can unequivocally be stated that our brethren in the Netherlands are laboring zealously, faithfully and bravely in the progressive upbuilding of the royal art.

Grand master, S. M. Hugo van Gijn, Dordrecht; grand secretary, H. J. W. Van Lawick, The Hague.

IDAHO—1911.

58 Lodges. 44th Annual. 3,568 Members.

At Boise September 12-14 the annual meeting was held. A gain in membership of 403 is shown.

The almost boyish face of Frank C. Bowman, grand master for 1911-1912, is the curtain raiser for a handsome volume of proceedings of 325 pages. The representative of Illinois was noted as absent. Grand Master Defenbach delivered an able and practical address. He stated that he had during the year read the forty-three books of proceedings of the Idaho grand lodge. The biographies of the active masons furnish, he says, a fine outline of the history of the state and its growth and achievements. These "form a practically complete record of the political and civic development of Idaho." So it is in most states. The prominent masons have always been the active agents in the uplift of humanity in every country and clime.

A Pioneer Grand Master.

A pathetic letter, dated at Pioneerville, was presented from Sam B. Connelly, a past grand master, "living his 90th year in a miner's cabin up a placer gulch." Small attentions sometimes bring others unexpected pleasures. Brother Connelly says—

Dear Friend and Brother: I have been afflicted with catarrh for a long time and was suffering with an attack of that disease when the postmaster gave me your letter, dated the 4th of this month, containing the first friendly and kindly word received from a grand master of the Grand Lodge of Idaho in many years. If you think you can anticipate the feelings of the old man after reading your letter you will fall short in your calculation. If you think the old man didn't sit up straight on the bed and forget he was afflicted with catarrh, you will be mistaken again; yes, and you will be in error if you think the world don't look brighter than it did yesterday. But one thing is puzzling me now, and that is what caused you to write that letter. But I know it is the expression of a kind and brotherly heart.

Death of P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, is mentioned. The factional status "left Mexican affairs in that jurisdiction in a disordered and divided condition." However, recognition was transferred, evidently with some misgivings, from Valle de Mexico to the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico."

A Queer Decision.

Few decisions were rendered and these were mere constructions of Idaho law of little interest to other jurisdictions. In one case a brother

applied for affiliation. Three ballots were taken and each time one black ball appeared. "The master ordered the wardens to declare the ballot 'clear,' if only one black ball appeared, and, upon their complying, he declared the applicant elected." The grand master seriously condemned the master but held the applicant admitted to membership. In other words, by ordering the wardens to tell a lie the fundamental right of some brother was set aside. It would have been about the right thing for the grand master to have deposed the master for destroying the sacred and fundamental right of every brother to prevent the admission of a man he deemed unworthy. This should have been followed by an order setting aside the fraudulent ballot and ordering a new one.

The Work Improving.

The report showed that the brethren are more nearly conforming to the standard work of the grand lodge. Complaint is made that "the authorized key is not being well taken care of. Two keys have been accidentally destroyed during the year." The grand master thinks the time has come to destroy the "keys." He says—

> I recommend the adoption of a resolution instructing the grand master, grand lecturer, and each subordinate lodge in the jurisdiction to deliver to the grand secretary, on or before the second Tuesday in September, 1912, each and every copy of any written or printed cipher or other key to the esoteric or symbolic work of the fraternity, to the end that said keys may be destroyed by or under the supervision of the annual communication of this grand body in the month of September hereinbefore mentioned.

This appeal fell on deaf ears. The recommendation was voted down.

Receipt and Certificate of Dues.

A receipt for dues with the grand secretary's certificate of the regularity of the lodge was another recommendation of the grand master. This was adopted with a provision requiring all lodges to use the form furnished at cost by the grand secretary. This receipt was practically the same as that proposed in Illinois.

The report of the trustees of the "orphan funds" shows that $1,700 was paid out by the grand lodge during the year to various indigent master masons, their widows and orphans.

Though small in members a movement was started for the establishment of a Masonic Home. A committee was appointed to consider and report ways and means at the next annual meeting.

All Appealed.

Here is a peculiarity of Idaho masonic law. A transcript of every trial in a lodge for an offense against law and usage of the fraternity must come before the grand lodge for review. No case is closed until after the grand lodge has acted. In short, every case is by operation of law appealed. In most grand lodges no appeal is taken unless some one is not satisfied with the decision of the lodge. This gives every one a chance to be heard and saves lumbering up the records where no one wants the grand lodge to review the proceedings.

The Tenth Annual Review

Is presented by Bro. Geo. E. Kuepper. This is a brief but interesting analysis of the doings of grand lodges. Illinois gets its due share of attention. He says that—"Under the heading, 'non-affiliates,' the grand master says some things worth repeating." He then quotes Grand Master Ashley's recommendation. The amendment as indicated was presented and is now the law of Illinois.

The reviewer says—

A special report of the committee on correspondence congratulates this grand lodge that it refused to recognize the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. This lodge has gone to the bad. It was "of a mongrel constituency where ancient craft masonry had little consideration or influence." But as we see it, the seceders have gone, the grand lodge has been purged, and is now working under a new name with all the earmarks of a legitimate body. We have heard nothing drop or break in Idaho, and the smoke goes up the chimney just the same.

It is noted that Grand Orator Frank G. Smith put "111 lines of poetry" in his eloquent oration.

Brother Kuepper likes the sub-heads in the Illinois report on correspondence, and says—"The matter is arranged under catchy heads which adds interest. Two pages of the report, opened at random, contain the following: 'Other Reports, 'Stingy to the Dead,' 'The Signet Ring,' 'Foreign Correspondence,' 'Rings the Bell,' 'Likes One, Dislikes the Other,' 'Brother Robbins' Report.'"

Grand master, Frank C. Bowman, Idaho Falls; grand secretary. Theo. W. Randall, Boise.

INDIANA—1912.

546 Lodges. 91st Annual. 60,168 Members.

Indiana comes looking fresh and clean in its white gown with blue trimmings. The annual was held May 28 and 29, 1912, at Indianapolis. The cover page is refreshing to behold. The clumsy "communication" gives way to "meeting." All through this word is used. A bit of history is also told on the outside of the book of proceedings. It reads "Convention of F. and A. Masons of Indiana, December, 1817. Grand Lodge of Indiana organized January, 1818." This was the year that Illinois became a state in the federal union.

The membership was increased during the year by 2,669. The handsome and boyish face of Grand Master Elmer F. Gay is the opening adornment. The one hour prelude of speeches and music was again used. Illinois' representative did not answer the roll call.

Grand Master Swintz is in line with Grand Master Ashley. He presents a "report" and does not make an "address." Really these two grand masters are right. They make report of their doings for the year. An address might do more to electrify a grand lodge but a report is more in harmony with the function of the executive officer, giving an account of his stewardship.

Brother Swintz made a real report. It was brief and pointed and made no effort at rhetorical display.

Can't Use Mexico.

Of Mexico the grand master says—

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico claims to be the legitimate Grand Lodge F. and A.M. of Mexico, composed of eighteen of the thirty-two lodges which composed the original Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. The last named grand lodge with fourteen constituent lodges is supposed to be still in existence. I have, therefore, declined to appoint a grand representative near the York Grand Lodge of Mexico until our grand lodge officially recognizes said York Grand Lodge.

The committee on foreign correspondence reported as follows:

Other grand jurisdictions generally appear to be prospering in like manner as ourselves. The situation in Mexico has been referred to in the report of our most worshipful grand master. It is so complicated that in the present unsettled political conditions and without further information, it is impossible for us to determine the center of authority in York Rite masonry.

Special dispensations were limited to the election of officers where lodges, for various reasons, had failed to elect at the proper time.

"Masons', Widows' and Orphans' Home"

Is the comprehensive name to designate the organized charity of the Hoosier grand lodge. It was announced that a fund sufficient had been accumulated to justify the establishment of such a Home. A resolution was unanimously adopted to the effect that the grand lodge at once proceed to build and maintain a Home for indigent masons, their widows and orphans.

A very large bequest came from the estate of the late James A. Holt. With the accumulated funds this makes the Home problem an easy one of solution.

Greets Odd Fellows.

The grand master announced that he had appointed the first four officers of the grand lodge, together with the grand treasurer and grand secretary, to act as a "committee to be present at the public welcome to the sovereign grand lodge, I.O.O.F., to be given at 9 o'clock on the morning of September 18 in the auditorium of the masonic temple, Indianapolis, Indiana, and extend to said sovereign grand lodge our kindly and cordial greeting and best wishes, as embodied in the committee report adopted by our own grand lodge on the 24th day of last May."

This shows the true fraternal spirit. The writer had the privilege of being present on the occasion named. Representatives of all the great fraternities of Indiana were present to welcome the supreme governing body of the Odd Fellows of the world. It was gratifying that this meeting was held in Indiana's superb masonic temple.

Striving for Uniformity.

Grand Master Swintz would like to see greater uniformity of the laws, rituals and lectures of the several grand jurisdictions of the United States." He wants a general conference. That there is no authority higher than each individual grand lodge, he freely concedes. He further says—

But if uniformity is to be attained, it must be by concerted action. This can be brought about to a greater or lesser extent through the medium of conferences of representatives of the several grand lodges. This would in no sense be a general grand lodge. No lodge would be opened. It would be a meeting of representatives under proper safeguards owing to the nature of the business. Each representative should come to the meeting prepared to present any matter which in his judgment needed changing. As each matter was presented, it could be discussed and voted upon, and the recommendation of the conference as

such, be presented by the representatives to their several grand lodges. Each grand lodge would then take official action for itself and every grand lodge that voted favorably on the recommendation would be bringing uniformity one step nearer.

This was the exact thing done at the Baltimore and Philadelphia conferences. Some advance toward uniformity of procedure has already come from these conferences. No step has been taken, however, toward uniformity of work. It is not likely any progress can be made in this direction for a long time to come, if ever.

The grand lodge authorized the grand master "to convene a general conference in Indianapolis under such conditions, and at such time, as he may deem advisable."

Few Decisions.

Only five decisions were reported. These were purely of local interest. The grand treasurer reports that interest was received on special fund of $705.09. On "funds on deposit during the year," a total of $832.83.

Grand Master Jackson and Grand Secretary Grant of Kentucky were introduced and gave a sample of that fervid blue grass oratory that is so pleasing to all who hear.

Terre Haute Lodge No. 19 was granted permission to participate in the "centennial anniversary of the battle of Fort Harrison." This was based "on its patriotic, historical and centennial merit without establishing a precedent."

The recommendation of the grand master that the anniversary of St. John, the Baptist, be designated a masonic memorial day was tossed into the scrap pile.

The supreme court of Indiana has declared the grand lodge of that state to be a charitable institution. Hence, no further incorporation is necessary in establishing the Home.

At 6 p. m. of the first day the entire grand lodge, with the guests of honor, enjoyed a banquet at the temple. There were the usual oratorical trimmings.

P.G.M. Chas. N. Mikels presented a resolution that the grand master extend an invitation "to some grand master of some sister grand jurisdiction to address this grand lodge at its next session as the guest of this grand lodge." The calamity was made probable by the adoption of the resolution.

The Temple—After that the Home.

The committe on ways and means refuses to recognize the Order of the Eastern Star as the pioneers of the Masonic Home movement, though their activity is fully recognized. The committee says that—

Resolutions bearing on this important subject have been presented and discussed at almost every meeting of the grand lodge for many years, but owing to the heavy debt contracted in building the former grand lodge building, with a membership of less than one-fourth of our present membership, it was considered inopportune to give the subject of building a Masonic Home serious consideration, but now, with one of the finest masonic grand lodge buildings in the world, with a united brotherhood of over 60,000 members, with our finances in a healthy and prosperous condition, it is quite natural that our hearts should quicken with love and sympathy for those less fortuante than ourselves.

Does it not strike one who gives it a little thought that our Indiana brethren were a little slow in providing for those "less fortunate than ourselves?" It took ninety years to get to the Home. Too often Masons are anxious for a showy temple in some large city, rather than a shelter for the distressed and needy. However, Indiana has started to care for those in distress. One of the most beautiful and artistic buildings to be found in America is the masonic temple at Indianapois.

"Indiana Annual Masonic Review"

Is the appropriate title given by the veteran writer of what are usually designated as reports on foreign correspondence. Bro. Daniel McDonald again presents this summary and signs himself "reviewer." Brother McDonald was grand master in 1875 and 1876 and has long been the senior past grand master. He writes with the idea each year that it may be his last.

His work as a reviewer is of a high order, and the corps of writers in the various grand jurisdictions wish him yet many years.

The passing of Bro. John C. Smith, of Illinois, is referred to as follows;

Past Grand Master Smith was one of the best known and greatly beloved past grand masters in this country. The writer of this greatly regrets his passing away, although according to the natural course of human events his earthly career could not have been greatly extended.

Brother McDonald says that—

Full report of the inception, building and dedication of the Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at LaGrange, Illinois, and a splendid engraving of the same appears in the proceedings. The grand lodge of Illinois has reason to be proud of its splendid charitable organizations and management. They seem now to be on a firm and growing basis, and beyond the point where failure could be considered.

The writer is grateful for complimentary allusion to his work in reviewing grand lodge proceedings for 1911.

Had not Been Master of His Lodge.

A most interesting and extraordinary incident is told by Brother McDonald as follows:

In 1873 he was deputy grand master, and at the election in May of that year was elected grand master by a large vote, being a general popular favorite among the memebrs of the grand lodge. Bro. Christian Fetta was grand master. After he had announced the result of the vote, that Bro. Lucien A. Foote had been elected grand master, a brother in the grand lodge arose and said: "I object to Brother Foote serving as grand master. He is not eligible. He has never served as master of a subordinate lodge." In all the long years I have been a member of the grand lodge, I never saw such consternation and bewilderment as there was on that occasion. Brother Foote, whose seat was on the right of the grand master, with his long white hair and flowing white beard, arose and in a sad and solemn tone of voice said: "The objection is valid. I have always served as secretary of my lodge and was never elected master." Grand Master Fetta was much affected, and the tear drops were seen to flow from his eyes. He had but one thing to do—order another ballot, which he did. The ballots were about all cast for him (brother Fetta) and he was re-elected grand master. The position of deputy being vacant, and I being next in line, was elected deputy grand master.

Before the grand lodge closed, Gen. M. D. Manson, representing the lodge to which Brother Foote belonged, arose and said: "Brethren of the grand lodge: Brother Foote having been declared ineligible to the office of grand master on account of never having been elected master of his lodge, I desire to say that we will go home from this grand lodge, and at the next election we will elect Brother Foote master of his lodge, and we will be here next year and will elect him grand master." General Manson's prediction proved true.

Grand master, Elmer F. Gay, Indianapolis; grand secretary, Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.

IOWA—1912.

520 Lodges. 69th Annual. 45,997 Members.

Books of proceedings of the Hawkeye grand lodge are most interesting—almost fascinating. The one for 1912 of the annual session held at Burlington, June 11 to 13, is no exception. It is large, handsomely printed and as full of meat as a sardine box is of fish.

The strong "block-y" face of Grand Master Louis Block adorns the opening pages.

Elaborate public exercises preceding the opening session are fully reported. The proceedings show the continued artistic and poetic bent of Grand Secretary Parvin, who superintends the printing.

The grand master's address covers seventy-five pages, but it is worth the space. It is so lengthy that Brother Block says that some may wonder if he is "not like the preacher who, the small boy thought, had forgotten to bring his 'Amen' with him." The Iowa air is as full of poetry as of electricity. All you need to do is to set a human dynamo running and out comes the gems of fancy by the great gross. The grand master's address, often most prosaic in other hands, sparkles and glistens with poetry galore. From this able address much might be reproduced did space permit.

A Constructive Force.

A single quotation must suffice. He says that—

As a constructive force, fastening firm and deep the foundations of noble human life and making for the lasting peace and happiness of the people, masonry stands today without an equal. Wherever she has gone, abiding blessings have followed in her footsteps. Never has there been so positive and perennial a power for good in the world. Well has she been named "the benefactor of mankind, born in the very cradle of the race." Righteous cause never appealed to her in vain. The friend of the free school and the free church, the lover of liberty and light always and everywhere, she has ever stood—

"For the wrong that needs resistance,
For the cause that lacks assistance,
For the future in the distance,
And the good that she can do."

The grand master says that the net increase of 1,598 is not quite as large as that of the year before. Yet, more master masons have been made. The leak though dimission is increasing. He fears that in Iowa, as elsewhere, they are making masons, or "at least members," too fast. More care should be taken in the selections.

Sensible Rulings.

In his opinion the law discriminates against affiliation. When a brother takes a dimit and moves into the territorial jurisdiction of another lodge, he cannot rejoin his mother lodge and may fail of election in the lodge where he then lives. In Illinois there is no territorial jurisdiction over non-affiliates.

In the judgment of Brother Block cubes only should be used for negative votes. White balls and black cubes do render it harder to make a mistake in balloting on petitions.

Iowa law prohibits dual membership. A mason cannot unite with a lodge in another state, even though its laws permit double membership. Too many complications may arise when a man tries to serve two masters.

A mason may rent a building for a saloon and not violate the law. He, also, can own stock in a brewery, provided he does not actively engage in the liquor traffic.

A lodge cannot appear in public at a religious revival. While it may be a most excellent place for a man to be, yet lodges, in their official capacity, cannot be present at, or take part in, any but a masonic service.

The grand master properly holds that moneys in the treasury of a lodge are trust funds, and cannot be used to help build a church, or for any cause not masonic or charitable.

Sitting in a chapter of R.A.M. with a man, does not give ground for an avouchment.

Formal acceptance of citizenship under the laws of the United States is not an essential to an applicant for the degrees in masonry. If a man is otherwise qualified he can be received, though unnaturalized.

The grand master held that to have carnal intercourse with a master mason's daughter is a masonic offense, even though she may be unchaste.

The Iowa Way Successful.

Grand Master Block heartily endorses the "Iowa idea" in caring for masonic dependents without a masonic home. He says that the plan works admirably and recommends that the maximum that can be paid to one person in a year, be raised from $200 to $300.

Begging circulars for lodges to build halls are "trun down." The request from Hot Springs for a masonic resort is held to be unnecessary. A worthy brother in distress at the great Arkansas mecca will have prompt relief from his Iowa brethren.

The Two I's.

Illinois and Iowa joined hands across the river at Rock Island last March. Grand Master Darrah and Grand Master Block were both expected. The latter, being a lawyer, was detained by important litigation that he could not postpone. A special representative, however, was sent in his stead. Brother Block concludes by saying that—

I was afterwards informed that the entire affair had passed off in splendid style, and that Brother Darrah had delivered a most eloquent and impressive masonic address, which I very much regret it was not my good fortune to hear.

Each grand master possesses a beautiful loving cup as a souvenir of the occasion.

The grand master advocated a change in the law to permit a man with a wooden foot, and with other artificial parts of his anatomy, to be eligible for admission. The committee on jurisprudence was old-fashioned enough to veto the proposition. The grand lodge sustained the veto.

A short history of masonry to be presented to each candidate when he becomes a master mason was another recommendation.

Good Machines but not Good Masons.

The following is so wise and well-put that it needs no comment. It is gospel truth every word of it. Grand Master Block says—

Masonry has no use for a blind, stupid devotion vouchsafed her by wooden men who do not know why they serve her, but what she loves is the intelligent loyalty of thinking men who have a reason for the faith that is in them.

She has clothed her lessons in mystic phrase, not for the purpose of having us learn a lot of strangely sounding words that shall forever remain for us empty and devoid of meaning, but for the purpose of making us think.

Many recite the ritual as though it were some magical incantation, and for these the mere fact that they cannot understand what they are talking about seems of itself to impart to the mysterious phrases a miraculous power. These men may make good machines, but they will never make masons.

The grand master tried to get lodge meetings out of the full moon but the ancient tradition prevailed. The ox-cart, tallow-candle age will remain in progressive Iowa.

The college society known as the "Acacia Fraternity" was endorsed. Why?

At Great Length.

Reports of grand officers and committees seem almost interminable in their exhaustiveness. The grand secretary makes his fill ten pages on general matters and thirteen on statistics. To this he adds eight pages as librarian. They surely know all about it when Brother Parvin gets through.

One event of the meeting was the unveiling of a tablet with the following inscription.

"This tablet marks the site of the first masonic hall in the territory of Iowa. Des Moines Lodge No. 1, held under dispensation from the grand lodge of Missouri, dated November 21, 1840. Dedicated by grand lodge of Iowa, A.F. and A.M., June 11, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912."

Approve and then Refer.

The "report on grand master's address" is a queer document. Almost every proposition made by the grand master "meets with hearty approval of your committee but we deem it right and proper and are of the opinion that all of the decisions ought to be referred," etc. If this able committee approves why burden some other with the same? Then, too, the other committee might not agree. In that case the grand lodge would be in a quandry as to which committee was right. Why not simply refer to the proper tribunal and let it go at that? A committee on distribution is not expected to approve but to analyze and separate and send matters where they belong. However, this does not appear to be the Io-way.

The committee on "recognition of grand bodies" elaborates in a lengthy report. They found that reviewers in other grand lodges offered criticism of the attitude of Iowa regarding the bible on the altar. The position is maintained that lodges can only emanate from the grand lodge of England as the ultimate source of regularity. In this "mother grand lodge" the ever-present bible open on the altar is the "great light in masonry." Yet, this committee says bodies may be recognized which "permit the use of the sacred book of a country, as the Koran or the Vedas, because such a book is to them what the Bible is to us."

This presents a strange paradox. Should the Vedas, the Koran, the Zend Avesta or the Books of the Dead be substituted for the bible, there would be little in them in keeping with the Legend of the Widow's Son or the evolution of speculative from operative masonry in the construction of the temple, the house of the God of the bible. It is contended that, as a matter of history, masonry began in Solomon's temple. Let that be so or not. The institution of freemasonry draws its plans, sym-

bols and teachings from the scenes of the bible. To recognize as legitimate any grand lodge making a book, other than the bible, its great light, is to abandon all that has made masonry great.

Kind to Others.

Presiding officers of other bodies built on masonry were given masonic greeting in open grand lodge. The present writer was gratified to find that Bro. Joseph F. Newton, grand chaplain, in making the stated address, corresponding with our annual oration, was impressed with the future of masonry. His theme was "The Mission of Masonry." This subject was the basis of the writer's oration in the Illinois grand lodge in 1906. Brother Newton was able and eloquent. It would be a pleasure to reproduce entire this valuable acquisition to masonic literature, if space permitted.

The Illinois reviewer appreciates the early receipt of the report on correspondence in pamphlet form some time in advance of the book of proceedings.

A brief resume of the "Incidents of the Week," written by Helen Donnan finds place in the proceedings. This tells about the features principally of entertainment. It is the first time this feature has been observed and especially is it noticed because it took a woman to tell about it.

The Yearly Review

Comes from a new source. The able committee on correspondence for the years past is Grand Master Block. Bro. C. C. Clark was requested by the grand master to review the work of the many grand lodges in fraternal touch with Iowa. Brother Clark is a fitting substitute for Brother Block, who is recognized as one of the ablest of American reviewers.

Illinois receives liberal treatment in five closely-printed pages. Of the proceedings of Illinois for 1911, our brother says that he is fairly appalled "by their size and the high character of the contents, splendidly printed, finely arranged, they present the highest type of the art." Iowa is equally appalling.

He says that Grand Master Ashley, in thirty-five pages "gives a succinct, interesting and at times eloquent account of his stewardship." He further says that—

He speaks in tones of the greatest sorrow of the death of Past Grand Master John Corson Smith, a stalwart figure for many, many years in masonry, not only that of Illinois but of the whole world, for it is doubtful if any other brother was so well, so widely, and so favorably known.

Surprise is expressed at the formation of ten lodges and dispensations for twenty more" in so large and well occupied a territory." And still there is room and more are coming. Approvingly Brother CLARK quotes words on "Masonry and Religion" in Brother ASHLEY'S report.

Illinois is congratulated on the fact that but one appeal case was before the grand lodge.

AFRAID OF DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE.

Regarding documentary evidence and a uniform receipt our Iowa brother "views with alarm" as follows;

Past Grand Master Owen Scott offered an amendment to the by-laws providing for a uniform receipt for dues to be issued from the office of the grand secretary, and the matter goes over for consideration this year. The uniform receipt is an abridgment of subordinate lodge privileges, but it may be all right, provided that it does not pave the way for the substitution of documentary evidence for the old-fashioned and only masonic way of testing a would-be visitor or an applicant for aid. We think its tendency is that way and therefore are "ferninst" it. We have never seen any argument that is at all convincing as to the need for documentary evidence, and we do know that it is being used more and more as a substitute for "strict trial," and we do hate most strongly to see this ancient and peculiarly distinguishing, characteristic landmark ranking of little importance amidst the craze for the new and alluring.

It should not be forgotten that there is a "craze" for organizing clandestine bodies and it is necessary that the craft adopt even new methods of protecting against impostors and frauds. The uniform receipt in no way interferes with "strict trial and due examination." It is merely an additional safeguard against those who "would steal the livery of heaven to worship the devil in."

The report of the Illinois committee on obituaries is designated as "magnificent."

Our brother thinks that in Illinois the committees allow the chairman to do all the work while the members "sit around and have a good time." He should once serve on chartered lodges, mileage and per diem, appeals and grievances or finance, and he would know more of what he writes at arm's length.

DISSENTS ON FUNDAMENTALS.

Brother CLARK characterizes the oration of Brother WILSON as in "eloquent language."

The reviewer dissents from the statements of the grand orator that belief in the immortality of the soul and the bible, as an indispensable object placed in every lodge, are necessary principles of masonry. How-

ever, no reasons for his attitude are given. There can be no such thing as belief in God and the bible as "the great light in masonry" without a further belief in eternal life. Our good brother could easily and in good conscience be a subject of the ex-communicated grand orient of France. Certainly the excellent grand lodge of Iowa cannot endorse the attitude of Brother CLARK.

An offer is made to gamble that no representative of another grand lodge reported the reception tendered to the diplomatic corps. Brother CLARK should occupy a leisure day in reading the report of Brother SPENCER to Arkansas which he represents.

ROBBINS' SUCCESSORS.

Modesty almost forbids the insertion of the following paragraph. Yet the tributes to Brothers ROBBINS and COOK should be reported to the Illinois craft. He says that—

The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master Owen Scott and is a most notable and inspiring contribution, one of the very best we have read. Brother Scott is following in gigantic footsteps. It takes a stout heart, a most valiant arm, and an unfaltering courage to succeed Bro. Joseph Robbins, and Brother Scott is to be congratulated most warmly on his success. Then, too, Past Grand Master Cook, the correspondent for last year, set a hard pace to follow, but Brother Scott's work marks him as a reviewer of the first caliber.

Brother CLARK approves the attitude of Illinois on attending church as lodges. He thinks they should go as individuals, without masonic clothing or lodge paraphernalia.

Grand master, WM. HUTCHISON, Alton; grand secretary, NEWTON R. PARVIN, Cedar Rapids.

IRELAND—1911.

465 LODGES. 183RD ANNUAL. 100,000 MEMBERS. (Estimated.)

The British grand lodges—England, Ireland and Scotland—give little of detail of their business in the published reports.

The proceedings for Ireland for 1911 consist wholly of reports. These are of the deputy grand master, the deputy grand secretary, the secretary of masonic charities and statistical reports. An appendix gives

an address by the grand master to the king and queen on the occasion of their visit to Dublin. This is the only place where the grand master appears. He is essentially a figurehead and holds his place by virtue of his royal connections. Other brief reports appear in the appendix. Should an operation for appendicitis be performed the result would not be serious. The appendix appears to have as little vital relation to the craft as the organ with unexplained functions has to the human mechanism. The deputy grand master, CHARLES A. CAMERON, is the active head of masonry in Ireland. His report is a review of the work for the year. It is made on St. John's day in December. For fourteen years JAMES CREED MEREDITH has served as deputy grand master. Owing to a multiplicity of other duties Brother MEREDITH was compelled to retire.

A new departure is announced. Instead of the deputy grand master covering the whole ground in his report he deals with matters more in general and allows the grand secretary to furnish the detailed and statistical account. This division of labor is quite in keeping with the American way of doing things. A gain of five lodges and 1,500 members is reported.

A MASON 52 YEARS.

Brother CAMERON notes the advance since he became a mason in 1859. This advance is not alone in the greater number of lodges and members. He says that the fraternity has "broadened very much with regard to the social conditions of its members. When I was first made a freemason the great body of freemasons of that time were professional men, or men who were the heads of large establishments. Now in recent years a much larger number of members of the order are men who are not the heads of establishments, and are not professional men, but men of moderate incomes, a class who were not numerous in the order in 1859, but now constitute the majority of our members. This is exactly what we should like, we would broaden the foundations of freemasonry, if possible, by getting into our order all good and true men, worthy men, no matter what their social position may be, except of course, that we do not desire to go down to the lowest ranks of society. At all events, we wish to have all respectable sections of society co-operating in our order, from the peer to the peasant, all united in the strong bonds of freemasonry."

This is good, wholesome social doctrine. It is hardly to be expected, however, from a source so influenced by titular distinctions and by aristocratic classification.

Erin's masonic head truly has the spirit of masonry, placing all men on the same level of true character, rather than that of rank and station.

Denies that Masonry is Sectarian.

The charge that masonry is sectarian is stoutly denied. Brother Cameron says—

If we had a large number of Roman Catholic members amongst us, as we had 100 years ago, when in the North of Ireland the great majority of the members of our order were Roman Catholics, then I say we would have schools for the Roman Catholic children of Roman Catholic members. Therefore this charge against us of being sectarian in the narrow sense of the word is baseless.

The fact is stated that there were only three Irish lodges in India with her "300 million of people and a large European population."

Their Masonic Jewels.

Referring to their masonic charities, the "three masonic jewels," comparison is made with those of England. From a population of one million in Ireland, as against thirty millions in England, there are 100 orphan girls cared for to only 250 in the larger country. Truly our brethren of the green isle are doing their duty nobly in educating the orphan and caring for the dependent mason. There are 100 pupils in the girls' school, 101 in the boys' school, and 66 annuitants provided for by the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund. The expense of clothing and educating each girl is about £30 or $150 per annum. The cost of each boy is £33 or $165.

The venerable deputy grand master made a very strong address, although he had disobeyed his physician's order to remain at home.

Only Masonic Clothing.

The grand secretary makes an extended report, most of which is merely routine and statistical. He reports a change in the law restricting the wearing of aprons, collars, or jewels by lodges to those of craft masonry. This is a wise provision. Why should members of lodges wear the insignia of other organizations or rites?

A printing firm was selling a printed ritual purporting to give the work of the Irish grand lodge. On request the publisher ceased its sale. Most accommodating! On this side of the water the publisher would have used the request as a good advertising card and pushed the sale all the harder.

Social Distinctions.

The board of general purposes failed to take the broad view shown by the deputy grand master. The question was raised as to the eligiblity for membership of a chauffeur. Would he be a "domestic livery serv-

ant?" The ruling was "that if he dwelt in his employer's house and was supplied with clothes by him, then he substantially occupied the same position as a coachman and was therefore ineligible for admission under the rules." Otherwise, he could be admitted. If a man of good character, would living in his employer's house and wearing the prescribed uniform while on duty, make him less worthy? A little wholesome philosophy of the equality of man from the Scottish poet, Burns, is in point here. He says—

"The rank is but the guinea stamp,
The man's the gowd (gold) for a' that.
The honest man tho e'er sae poor
Is king of men for a' that.
That man to man, the world o'er,
Shall brothers be for a' that.
A man's a man for a' that."

Grand master, the DUKE OF ABERCORN; deputy grand master, CHARLES A. CAMERON; grand secretary, LORD PLUNKETT; deputy grand secretary and treasurer, H. E. FLAVELLE. No addresses other than Dublin are given.

KANSAS—1912.

394 LODGES. 56TH ANNUAL. 37,305 MEMBERS.

This year the proceedings of the sunflower state must take a second seat. Last year they were first to be received of grand lodges held in 1911. This year Florida "beat them to it," but, as Florida met a month earlier than Kansas, the speed of the later is more noticeable. The art of nice printing has gone as far west as the Old John Brown state. The proceedings of 1912 of over 500 pages make one of the tastiest books coming to the table of the Illinois correspondent.

The annual session was held at Topeka February 21 and 22. A net gain of 1,809 shows steady and healthy growth.

A fine portrait of ALEX. A. SHARP, retiring grand master, graces the introductory pages. Kansas and Illinois publish the text of the grand chaplain's opening prayer. This gives a devotional flavor to the business of a busy session. The Illinois representative, M.W. Brother MILLER, was present and active in the work of the grand lodge. He writes the annual review of grand lodges. Illinois is pleased to be so well represented.

The Grand Master's Address

Is full of interest. On recommendation of the grand master a law was made requiring all communications between lodges of different states to be sent through the grand masters. Wisely the grand master "uniformly refused dispensations to ballot upon petitions for the degrees within four weeks." Permission was given to advance candidates in less than one month but always on condition that examinations showed proficiency in the work. In Illinois there is no time limit. A candidate can go on as rapidly as he wishes, if he can learn the work.

Grand Master Sharp "refused almost fifty requests to grant dispensations authorizing the conferral of degrees upon candidates who were physically disqualified. The disqualification extended from the loss of an eye to the loss of a leg."

Only Six Decisions

Are reported. In one case the grand master held that "a lodge can receive the petition of a citizen of another country who has been a resident of this state one year and who is, at the time and has been for six months next preceding, an actual resident within its territorial jurisdiction." This accords with the rule in Illinois. The grand master also held that "a lodge cannot mantain a masonic club out of the lodge funds." Correct. Why is not the lodge itself a good enough masonic club? Put some of the social features of a club into the lodge and let it go at that.

Why Tax the Present

To relieve the future from the responsibilities of its own duties? This question is pertinent in view of the urgent demand made for an endowment fund for the Masonic Home? If the masons of today establish and build homes for masonic dependents it will be no hardship on those of tomorrow to maintain them. Another serious objection to the accumulation of a fund, the proceeds of which only are to go for current expenses, is that to be of any substantial service the amount must be so large as to make its sure and safe investment a serious matter.

Sufficient unto the day is the spirit of fraternity thereof. The next generation can as easily carry forward and extend the work of the present, as the present could advance over achievements of the past.

The membership of the Home is given as "eighty, almost equally divided between adults and children."

Refused Recognition.

Three spurious Mexican grand bodies asked recognition but on recommendation of M.W. Brother Miller, the committee on foreign correspondence, they were shown the door. Sound as Brother Miller is on most foreign questions he yet clings to the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico." This body has as bad a birth and history as any of those refused.

A flock of other grand bodies were turned down. These were Brazil, Belgium, Paraguay, Italy, Greece, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Guatamala and Swiss Alpina. The reason given was that they had not shown possession of the essentials required by Kansas. Recognition was extended to Chili and representatives will be exchanged.

The grand orator, Bro. Alstan W. Dana, gave a forceful address. He named many of the world's great to prove the age and respectability of Masonry. Hardly necessary. Masonry must exist in the future, as it has in the past, because it serves humanity and is fit to live, not because of great names on its rolls.

The committee on masonic usages and procedure recommended that the inscription on corner-stones laid by the fraternity be left to the discretion of grand masters. This was adopted.

The proceedings of the "Association of Past Grand Masters" find a place in the annual of the grand lodge. At the annual dinner fifteen of the "has beens" sat down. Little was done beyond eating and electing officers. The social features evidently were most enjoyable.

The Tenth Annual Review.

Of grand lodge proceedings comes from the hand of P.G.M. Matthew M. Miller. In his review of Illinois, Brother Miller bows over the bier of John Corson Smith with "inexpressable sadness" in the "death of our long-time friend, brother and comrade." Both Brother Smith and Brother Miller were made masons in Miners Lodge No. 273, at Galena, Illinois.

The Kansas reviewer says that—

Under the topic, "Masonry and Religion," M.W. Brother Ashley gives some very sensible advice to the blatant gentleman who proclaims, "Masonry is good enough religion for me;" which, coming from one without church affiliation, has all the greater force and significance. We generally "size up" such proclaimers as short on both masonry and religion. Masonry and religion best manifest themselves and pass inspection by and in the individual life and that always tells the story more effectually than any words can do.

It Works Well in Kansas.

The proposed amendment, providing a validated receipt for dues, is heartily approved by Brother Miller.. He adds—

It is the system now in use among the masons of Kansas and bids fair to solve in great part the question of unaffiliated membership. Dues of non-residents, as well as resident members, are better paid up under present system than before.

The reviewer further says that "a learned, eloquent and instructive oration was delivered by Grand Orator Rev. W. W. Wilson."

Of our growth in charitable work, Brother Miller says that—

It is not very many years ago when the grand lodge of Illinois knew no other system of charity than the response of one mason to the appeal for assistance from another mason who was in need and distress. Organized charity was unknown except in Chicago, where a local Orphans' Home was established and supported by the brethren of Chicago.

It is a great gratification to note the progress made in Illinois of recent years in the work of organized charity in the fraternity, and this gratification is largely increased by the active effort of the bodies named in the resolution to unite and assist in the great work Illinois masons have, and desire, to do.

Let the good work go on. Men are always ready to engage actively in charitable masonic work as soon as a way is opened for them to do so.

Pleasant Memories.

The review notes that the present Grand Master Darrah brought memories of his father, Alex. T. Darrah, who in 1885-1886 was also grand master.

In referring to Bro. Geo. M. Moulton as the representative of Kansas in the grand lodge of Illinois, the reviewer says—

While Brother Brundage may have been the first to emphasize appreciation of his services, it has not escaped the attention of the Kansas brethren that the Kansas representative near Illinois is entitled to credit for being "thorough" in the performance of every masonic duty.

Brother Miller refers to the writer as "our young brother." That sounds very cheerful and gracious, but—. Well this "young brother" has been a mason forty-one years.

Now, our Kansas brother will be given just one guess at the minimum of his age. Still, as Bro. Howard Humphreys, of Bloomington, said to the writer years ago in answer to a compliment to him—"Brother Scott, I like to hear you say that whether you mean it or not."

Acknowledgment is hereby made of an error in giving Peru as in fraternal relations with Kansas. Brother Miller says that "Peru was

stricken from Kansas recognition list fourteen years ago." Cheerfully is the correction made.

Grand master, Wm. E. Hutchison, Garden City; grand secretary. Albert K. Wilson, Topeka.

KENTUCKY—1911.

567 Lodges. 111th Annual. 37,356 Members.

The proceedings of Kentucky for 1911 record a most interesting annual meeting, held at Louisville, October 17-19. The book contains 552 pages, the larger part, 284 pages, giving returns of the lodges. The name of every affiliated mason in the state is found in connection with his lodge.

The frontispiece is devoted to pictures of the "Hiram Bassett memorial prize medal" awarded to one boy and one girl in the Orphans' Home for "highest average in scholarship and deportment." A fine picture of Dave (not David remember) Jackson, grand master for 1911-1912, adorns the opening pages. If Brother Jackson is as handsome as his likeness he would do well at a show for specimens of sturdy, forceful manhood.

The proceedings bear the following credit, "Printed at the Masonic Home printing office." Evidently the boys and girls are taught the mastery of the printers' art. The book would be a credit to any printing house.

The Grand Master's Address

By Robert R. Burnam is a document of unusual interest and strength. He reports growth in the three essentials—numbers, finances and harmony—as being marked. As to numbers, the increase in membersship of 1,373, and in lodges, fourteen being then under dispensation, prove his claim. Regarding finances, he reports all debts paid except that in connection with the temple, $181,000, and this is due to the trustees of the Widows' and Orphans' Home. Referring to the third essential, harmony, the grand master found little to disturb or annoy at home or abroad. Many requests for dispensations were most properly refused. All petitions to confer degrees out of time were declined. Some lodges wanted to hold funeral services of brethren who had been dead several months. The grand master refused permission, but suggested a revival

of the old masonic custom of a "lodge of sorrow" or a memorial meeting. This the lodges did not seem to want and none was held.

Work Kaleidoscopic.

The work in Kentucky appears to be in a very unsettled and unsatisfactory condition. The grand master says that—

> As it is, the work in many lodges is scarcely recognizable. Books of all kinds and character are constantly present in the hands of master masons who are not competent to discriminate between what is right and what is spurious.

He then wants to add one more book and says "the basis ought to be a written work held by the grand secretary (one copy)." Then each autumn at the grand lodge a school should be held to teach this one standard work. He also recommends the preparation of a monitor to supplement the adopted work. By this plan, he hopes, within a few years, to train enough teachers to go over the state and make the work uniform. Our Kentucky brethren might step across the Ohio river into Illinois and find the model of uniformity and impressiveness in work they so much need.

Some Decisions.

The grand master says that he reports but a few of the questions submitted to him for decision. There were, nevertheless, seventeen rulings submitted to the grand lodge. Most of these were only constructions of Kentucky law.

It was held that "a brother who appeals from the action of his lodge be required to pay for the transcript before the secretary does the work or give security for the same." In Illinois in such cases each side must pay the cost of procuring and taking his own testimony. No one pays the secretary for the transcript. He makes this as a part of his duties as an officer.

Where a master-elect fails to appear for installation it was decided that the master could install the other officers. Not so here. The installation must begin with the master.

A lodge by its by-laws has the right to require ministers to pay dues. In this state no lodge can exempt a minister from the payment of the same dues as every other member. In fact there is but one cause for exemption for dues. That is financial inability to pay. Illinois ministers are as able to pay dues as the laymen.

It was decided that a young man could petition for the degrees before he is 21, provided, he reaches his majority before the ballot is taken.

The Masonic Home Journal is published at the Orphans' Home. The subscription price has been 50 cents, but this was reduced to 25 cents, so that every mason in the blue grass state might be a subscriber. It is not likely that the number will be materially increased.

A Privileged Class.

Ministers of the gospel and fifty-year masons in Kentucky are exempt from payment of lodge dues. Why brethren of either of these classes should not pay their share of the expenses involved in the great work masonry is doing, does not appear. The support of dependent widows, helpless orphans and aged and indigent masons is one of the great practical purposes of masonry. Each brother should contribute his share. Again, the cost of providing, furnishing and maintaining comfortable places of meeting must be met. Why exempt a man simply because he has enjoyed the privileges and benefits of masonry for fifty years? Often these elderly men are the wealthiest in the community. To relieve them from payment of dues puts an additional burden on the younger members who are usually far less able to pay. In this age ministers are as well paid as most of the other members of lodges to which they belong. Often their compensation is greater than that received by a majority of the laymen. In a past age some one divided humanity into three classes, viz.; "Men, women and ministers." In our day this distinction does not prevail. To succeed in their work ministers must first of all be men. In Kentucky, the deadhead list, composed of ministers and 50-year masons numbers 926. However, the injustice in this free list was somewhat mitigated by an amendment which is as follows; "An assessment of 75 cents a year for each member, including ministers and 50-year members," was adopted. This is for the support of the Home. If all lodges will tax this up to the members now on the free list it will be some relief but if they are allowed to continue to exempt these privileges classes the additional "assessment" merely becomes an added load for the dues-paying members to carry.

If the 50-year members are to have a distinction by reason of long service it would be more expedient to give them a jewel or apron or some other memento of honorable service than to make them a privileged class in the lodge. However, Kentucky will continue to exercise her supreme right to do as she pleases.

Ruction with Pennsylvania.

A lengthy correspondence between the grand masters of Kentucky and Pennsylvania over perpetual jurisdiction is printed in the proceedings. The quaker-state grand lodge holds to the old-time doctrine of

perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material recently abandoned by Illinois. Kentucky refuses to recognize it. A man rejected in Pennsylvania was made a mason in Kentucky. Whereupon, the ruction was started. In the end the whole matter was left precisely where it begun. Each recognized that the other had the undisputed Sovereign right to act as it chose. Each did so. Illinois recently adopted a five-year limit of jurisdiction over rejected candidates. The consensus of masonic opinion is that this is about the right solution of a vexed and vexing question.

The Grand Master's Salary

In Kentucky is but $300. In Illinois it is $2,500 with allowance for all expenses in addition. It is hardly just to a grand master to accept his services and let him pay the expense of traveling in the interest of the fraternity on such a meager return as $300. The grand master says the sum "is not sufficient to meet his legitimate expenses, if he travels as much as even I have."

Their Homes.

At last Kentucky is ready to measure up to its full duty. It has opened a new establishment, designated, the "Old Mason's Home." The name is rather unfortunate. No one likes to be resignated as an "Old Mason." Besides, men who are not old might meet misfortune and be so disabled as to require support in the Home. However, "What's in a name?" The fact is, that provision is made for aged and indigent masons in the days of their misfortune. Kentucky has been a pioneer in caring for the widows and orphans and has one of the foremost institutions of this kind in the world. The addition of a place to care for dependent masons makes the provision complete.

The grand master congratulates the craft that "not a grand officer, nor a past grand officer has been called from us—to cross the river" during the year.

The report of the committee on necrology contains the following—"John Corson Smith, past grand master, 'a master builder,' died Dec. 31, 1910, aged 78 years."

Recognized Porto Rico but Refused Others.

The grand lodge declined to recognize grand lodges of Salvador, Valle de Mexico and Swiss Alpina, and further time was taken for consideration. With Mexico unrecognized the record shows that "a brother from Sonora Lodge No. 12 in Mexico" was admitted as a visitor, introduced and seated. How could you do it, Brother Clarke? As Porto Rico is a child of Cuba it was taken into the Kentucky family.

Review of Proceedings

Of grand lodges comes again from the able pen of P.G.M. William W. Clarke. Illinois fares well at his hands. He says that—

The address of the grand master exhaustively deals with the officers of his jurisdiction. During the year seven lodges were constituted, and he granted dispensations for the formation of eight new lodges. A remarkable showing for a jurisdiction already crowding easily to the front as one of the largest in the world. The fact that it occupies so conspicuous a place should be a steadying influence on those at the head of its affairs.

Brother Clarke takes exception to the recommendation of Grand Master Ashley regarding voluntary non-affiliates. Brother Ashley's attitude was approved by the grand lodge and his recommendation has become law. The crux of Brother Clarke's criticism is that the brother cannot be deprived of all the rights and privileges of *masonry*. He thinks it would be less open to objection if the brother only be deprived of the rights and privileges of *the lodge*. It must be conceded that there is some force in Brother Clarke's distinction. If there are any rights and privileges of masonry, exercisable outside of lodge membership, it might be difficult to take them away from a brother who fails or refuses to affiliate. However, Illinois, in striking at the evil of non-affiliation, gave all its force to the blow.

Schools Should Teach More than Work.

The reviewer quotes the paragraph pertaining to irregularities and infringement of law." He then adds with much force the following;

The committee on grand master's address, among other things, said: "The report (grand master's) shows that the high character of the schools of instruction has been maintained, and that the interest in the ritualistic work of our order was never greater than at present." Would not the conditions complained of by the grand master be greatly improved if some of the time of the schools of instruction were given to teaching masonic jurisprudence, instead of devoting the whole time to the ritual? The question, we think, is worth pondering.

During the past year this plan was carried out by Grand Master Darrah.

The provision in our law to require a larger fee for the degrees in cities over 50,000 is criticized. Brother Clarke thinks masonry just as valuable in a small as in a large town. So it is, but it costs more to maintain lodges in the larger cities. Rents and furnishings and many other demands on the revenues of lodges of the larger cities makes it necessary to increase the income. If the brethren want the privilege of charging more, who shall say them nay?

Grand master, Dave Jackson, Louisville; grand secretary, H. B. Grant, Louisville.

LOUISIANA—1912.

217 Lodges. 100th Annual. 14,547 Members.

Our sister of the far south presents a solid appearance of 580 pages, full of absorbing interest. Last year about 400 were sufficient but there was no centennial to be recorded. The 1912 session was held at New Orleans February 5, 6 and 7. The strong face of E. H. Addington, grand master for 1912, adorns the opening pages. An excellent historical sketch showing the formation of the grand lodge of Louisiana in 1812 comes at the beginning of the printed proceedings. This includes "extracts from the minutes of the convention and of the first annual grand communication." The motto used was rather unusual. It was "Health—force—fraternity." It took three sessions, June 13 and 20 and July 12 to put the machine in running order.

One Hundred Years.

The centennial celebration was held February 5, 1912. Addresses and music furnished the program. Grand Master Thibaut and P.G.M. Reid were scheduled to appear. The record says that, when they began comparing notes of their speeches, their minds had run so much in the same channels that they found it necessary that one should be omitted. Of course the grand master should speak and Brother Reid gracefully stood aside. The whole culminated in a great banquet at the Grunewald hotel. Covers were laid for 500.

Louisiana is so cosmopolitan in its citizenship and its masonry that speakers representing German, French, Italian and Spanish working lodges were given proper places in the toasts at the banquet table. Each response is printed in the mother tongue of the speaker and then the translation in English follows.

Married 60 Years.

P.G.M. Charles F. Buck represents Illinois at the court of Louisiana. Brother Buck officiated as the chief factor in the first business transacted in regular session.

A gold tea set was presented to Grand Secretary Richard Lambert to commemorate the sixtieth year of his wedded life. Few reach this distinction and the recognition is most fitting. The gift came from the grand master and other grand officers.

The address of Grand Master THIBAUT was full of interest and dealt with many practical questions.

These are words of sound, good sense. He says that—

In general, our brethren are awakening to the realization, that if we desire our influence to be felt for good, there must be discrimination in the selection of our material. Numbers contribute but little to the power of the institution and are an unwieldy force if ignorant and virtueless. I cannot insist too strongly upon the requisites for membership. Qualities of mind and heart are paramount. Moral character and intellecual worth are essentials in the making of the real, earnest, active mason whose life must be an example and an inducement.

ONLY ONE IN THE WORLD.

The record of Louisiana Relief Lodge is highly commended for its excellent work in caring for the destitute brother traveling from afar. This lodge is unique. It confers no degrees but is a regularly chartered lodge. Its whole mission is to dispense relief to needy craftsmen. The report of this lodge shows that the sum of $53 was expended in relieving the worthy distressed from Illinois.

One of the serious problems with which the grand lodge struggled was the disposition of the temple. It is old and badly out of date. Tenants are few and are leaving it. The grand master says that he has changed his views. Last year he favored the erection of a new building for purposes of a mixed character—that is masonic and commercial. Now he thinks the new building should cut out the commercial and make it purely fraternal.

PURELY MASONIC.

He wisely says—

It is inexpedient to venture in speculation; a modern office structure erected to compete with buildings of that character in our immediate vicinity would entail an outlay out of proportion to the revenue we might expect from the same. There is the further sentimental objection, more forceful, perhaps, against an office building as it introduces and fosters the spirit of commercialism in our masonic bodies. This spirit, unfortunately, prevails everywhere. It is paramount in everything, its influence is felt in every act of our material life; let us not permeate our masonic system with it. All over our state, masonic lodges are building for themselves exclusive homes, gems of masonic architecture; why should not the same spirit which has breathed the things of beauty in the country not bring forth a like treasure in this great city?

This sentiment more and more prevails. Nowhere is masonry concerned with business enterprises, other than those of convenience and comfort for its legitimate work of esoteric instruction and the care and maintenance of its dependents.

Fears Designs of the O.E.S.

Brother Thibaut is worried over occupancy of lodge rooms by bodies other than masonic. In this connection he has this to say—

I am under the impression that it is a written law in the Order of the Eastern Star to meet in masonic lodges wherever practicable. I recognize the excellent purposes of this organization, but I cannot conceive how it can claim any greater privileges than are accorded to any other fraternal body. If it be true that this law is upon their statute book, it is a plea for recognition as a masonic body, a plea which I do not believe, notwithstanding the excellent design and purpose of the organization, should for one single moment be entertained.

If our good brother would ask his wife, or some other well informed member of the Eastern Star, he would be advised that this body makes no pretense of being masonic. Every candidate is distinctly so informed. All members are merely masons and their mothers, daughters, wives and other ladies of their households. Surely there can be little danger of such desecrating the sacred precincts of the lodge room.

Rulings and decisions were not numerous. In one it was held that a lodge could not permit a chapter of the Eastern star to occupy a lodge room without a dispensation from the grand master. In another the grand master decides that a man who permanently resides in this country though he has not become nor does not intend to become a naturalized citizen, is eligible to membership without waiver of jurisdiction.

A Foe of Masonic Homes.

Louisiana has no home for its dependent members or their families. The grand master writes urgently against such a provision. In his address he puts this heading over his arguments. "Home—mother love at home, or chilly institutional care? Which?" He then adds, "I cannot but commend the disinclination of Louisiana masons to inflict upon the distressed of our masonic family the horror and humiliation of an asylum. Those magnificent monuments of marble and stone hide behind their walls the sepulchral coldness of organized charity, a disguise of the true charity which means love and not sufferance. Behind them is the wail of Dante's damned—'O, you who enter leave behind you all hope.' "

This truly is a pitiable exhibition of perverted ideas in a high place. With a grand master in his annual address expressing such sentiments, it is small wonder that our southern sister celebrates, in lavish manner, her one hundredth anniversary with no systematic and organized provision to care for the distressed worthy brother, his widow and orphan.

What is everybody's business is nobody's business, is a well established maxim. Voluntary charity is ideal in contemplation and furnishes basis for saying many beautiful things about its coming as the gentle dew from heaven and a lot of other nonsense. But such charity leaves old and feeble masons homeless and helpless, and orphan children hungry, or left to the world's "chilly care."

Cost not Great.

By the annual expenditure of 35 cents per member, Illinois has been able to build, equip and maintain two superb Homes—one for aged members and indigent masons, their wives and widows; the other for the helpless orphans of our deceased brothers. Both are paid for and are great benefactions to the happy and contented families sheltered there. They are in no sense asylums, as that word is ordinarily used. A short visit to LaGrange would prove a revelation to Brother Thibaut. Under the wise tutelage of Brother Bassett and his good wife these 100 children are being cared for in such a way as to make of them useful men and women. At Sullivan almost the same number of aged and dependent men and women have a real home with every comfort that money can buy. All this costs each mason in Illinois 35 cents per year. Our brother needs to be reminded that this vile thing called "organized charity" does not take from each individual craftsman the splendid privilege of going into his pocket to help those who need his voluntary assistance and yet who do not need to go to the Home.

Organized not to Prevent Voluntary.

Organized charity is not meant to supplant but to supplement individual voluntary charity. Without the Homes many will suffer the pangs of hunger and cold. It is possible, though often difficult, to find suitable homes in families for children. It is not to be questioned that a good family home is better for a child than any institution, no matter how good it is. Often, however, children go into families to become the pack-horses and slaves of those who have their care. Whatever may be true of the children, the condition of the aged and helpless is a very difficult story. No family home is open to poor, feeble and, perhaps, irritable and cranky old men or women. They must be sent to the poor house or they are allowed to die from starvation and cold.

If there is such insuperable objection to the institutional home, how does our good brother account for the fact that almost every grand lodge in America has one or more and after trying it is universally proud of the good work it does?

Brother THIBAUT not only wails over the expense but fears for the perversion of the religion of the children. He thinks some protestant child might be turned into a Catholic, some Baptist into a Methodist, or some Jew into a Christian. This view is answered by the practical experience of half a hundred homes now in existence, many of them for many years.

MONEY FOR TEMPLE, NONE FOR HOME.

Louisiana has had money to build a great commercial building and now contemplates tearing down and building greater, but could only secure about $500 during 1911 to provide a shelter for helpless and dependent masons. In view of the attitude of the grand master, the leader of the craft, little else could be expected. A campaign of education in masonic charity is evidently needed in Louisiana.

Following the grand master further says—

I desire, as a business man, to suggest to you a plan which I believe will insure better material and moral results. The great state of Illinois has only lately inaugurated a system which bids fair to solve the problem. It is a plan which is practical, has none of the objections hereinbefore mentioned; it is sane, logical, humanitarian. It is more in harmony with modern methods of orphan training and preserves the integrity of the family, with all its psychological, moral, and religious influences. It is the pension system, which enables children to be raised at home rather than spending the amount maintaining them in an orphan asylum or state home.

In this, reference must be to the work of Illinois as a state and not to any action of the masons. Our two Homes have met amply every requirement and need of the masonic dependents of this state. No plan has been inaugurated to give care and attention outside of the Homes, except that individual and lodge help which comes of the free will and accord of members of the craft.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Grand Master THIBAUT sheds some light on the Mexican question. He says that—

The Grand Lodge York Valle de Mexico in a circular letter claims jurisdiction over all York symbolic lodges in the republic of Mexico. Considering that the recognition of this body would be acknowledging its claim and consequently its right to violate the territorial sovereignty of grand lodges in Mexico with whom this grand lodge is in fraternal relations. I declined to receive the commission sent to one of our brethren as representative of the above named body.

He then concludes as follows;

In view of the fact that it is impossible to ascertain the true conditions existing in the above-named jurisdiction, I deem it wise to sever

our fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, and proper likewise to ignore the request for recognition from the Grand Lodge York Valle de Mexico, as its claims over the York lodges throughout the republic are violative of the sovereign rights of jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal accord.

Some Universality.

The grand master then mounts his universal brotherhood steed and wants to include pretty much everything calling itself masonic, even including by name—France, whose governing bodies have excluded all recognition of God and the bible. The Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was duly recognized. Its regularity is most questionable.

The committee on correspondence presented a resolution refusing recognition to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico (successor to Valle de Mexico) because it assumes "jurisdiction beyond the bounds of the federal district of Mexico, particularly over the states of the republic of Mexico, wherein grand lodges have been already organized." In the list of grand lodges of Mexico the following are named. "Valle de Mexico," "Oaxaca," "Nuevo Leon" and "Cosmos of Chihuahua."

The record shows the appointment of Bro. Godfried Langhenry, of Chicago, as the representative of the grand lodge of Louisiana, near the grand lodge of Illinois.

M.W. Bro. A. G. Brice, grand orator, made a most elaborate address, covering twenty-four pages in small type. His subject was "Masonry—the Great Gift to Man." Its extreme length forbids any attempt at a summary.

General Review

Of grand lodges embraces a report on every "English-speaking grand lodge" in the world. Bro. Herman C. Duncan writes the review. Illinois for 1910 is presented.

He quotes freely from the report of Grand Master Ashley. The fact that the Cherry mine fund was larger than the amount collected from lodges was noted. Only $70 were expended and the interest was $85. Of the oration by Bro. Frank G. Smith, the writer says "it was an oft-told tale but quite artistically constructed."

The correspondent commends the Illinois grand lodge for its progress in changing jurisdiction over rejected material from perpetual to five years. He advocates relinquishment of all claims whatever. It is well to hold jurisdiction for a time sufficient to enable the lodge into whose territory a rejected applicant moves to learn something of his character and standing before he becomes eligible for admission.

THE ILLINOIS REPORT.

He says that—

The report on masonic correspondence was prepared by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott. It was his initial effort, and he won his spurs right well. But that was to be anticipated from one of the well-known merit of Brother Scott.

Reviewing Louisiana, he says that the direction printed upon the title page of our proceedings, that they are to be read in all the lodges, is a useless fiction. We differ. The trouble is not with our regulation, but with the interpretation placed upon it. Brother Scott would have it mean that every word in them should be orally pronounced in open lodge. But that is the "letter killing." The spirit of the law is the requirement that lodges should be informed of the action of the grand lodge by those entrusted with their government. That requirement we deem necessary, and we trust that there is not a lodge in Louisiana in which it is not done.

The report concludes with a resolution allowing brethren from the grand lodge of Queensland to visit lodges in Louisiana. Queensland is not recognized by Louisiana "for the reason that its lodges do not make a majority of the lodges of the province." In every other essential Queensland is regular. Does not this look a little like "straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel?" A grand lodge that can take into its bosom four rotten Mexican bodies, and whose grand master recommends recognizing the grand orient of France should not be so squeamish over the little irregularity of Queensland.

Grand master, E. H. ADDINGTON, New Orleans; grand secretary, RICHARD LAMBERT, New Orleans.

MAINE—1912.

203 LODGES. 93RD ANNUAL. 29,345 MEMBERS.

The proceedings of Maine's annual are neat, terse and attractive. The session was at Portland, May 7-9, 1912. No space is wasted in blank leaves and preliminaries. No pictures of grand officers appear. All but eight of the lodges were represented by 266 delegates. Nine of the eleven living past grand masters were present. There were forty-seven out of fifty-eight representatives of other grand lodges who answered roll call. Among these, Bro. WM. R. G. ESTES stood for Illinois. Grand Master ASHLEY A. SMITH presented his annual address in

most attractive form. It had literary merit of high order. Here is a sample. He says that—

Cicero, the Roman orator, whose voice of eloquence echoed through the famous forum, said, in his last declining years, that life had taught him one supremest lesson,—"How to make my enmities transient and my friendships eternal." This, too, is good masonic teaching, and while in this grand lodge there may be little need for the first part of Cicero's counsel,—it is a privilege of this communication to obey the latter, and make our friendships eternal.

He notes the death of two past grand masters and adds that either could join with the English poet in the sweet resignation of the "Crossing of the Bar." This poetic gem he quotes in full.

Masonry and Service Synonymous.

One other extract is quite worthy of reproduction. The grand master says—

Just as the great watchword of the eighteenth century was liberty, and the great work of the nineteenth centry was science, mechanical invention and organization; so the great word and supreme work of this twentieth century will be, brotherhood—service. It is an era of swift and mighty changes throughout the world. Age-old monarchies like Portugal disappear in a night and unfurl the banners of a new republic to the light of dawn; Manchu dynasties sacred for countless centuries are suddenly overthrown, and liberated China awakens from its lethargy of centuries sleep, and a new era of republican government is proclaimed to the amazed and wondering world. All progress is along the line of man's essential brotherhood. In a quiet and unobtrusive way Freemasonry is working toward that time prophesied by the poet:

"When the war-drums throb no longer, and the battle flags are furled
In the parliament of man and the federation of the world."

Full notice is given of the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Portland Lodge No. 1.

They Want a Home.

Resolutions from nine lodges were presented asking for the establishment of a Masonic Home. The trustees of the charity fund report a balance on hand and invested of $63,086.24, bringing an annual income of $2,711.14. This is a pretty healthy nest egg. From this, with the usual additions, might easily be hatched a considerable brood of Masonic Home chickens.

The report shows seventy-eight applications for aid, proving the want of increased facilities in the care of the needy. The finance committee, to which went the request of the nine lodges for a Home, reported that "the more your committee studied the proposition the less

able they were to decide; but, inasmuch as the success of the undertaking depends, in a great measure, upon the financial side, we ask to have the subject continued in our hands."

Most that is needed is to decide to establish and maintain a Home. With over $63,000 as a start, the work would not be arduous.

On recommendation of the committee on correspondence, Porto Rico was adopted as a member of the Pine Tree grand lodge family.

No general business was done on Wednesday. At the afternoon session the master mason's degree was conferred under direction of the grand lecturer. In the evening the new masonic temple of Portland was dedicated.

The following amendment to the law was adopted unanimously.

No lodge shall form a public procession, funeral processions and processions for attendance upon divine service excepted, without permission from the grand master. And it is proper, as a mark of respect for the chief magistrate of the nation or state, to permit lodges to appear in public, either upon occasion of a public reception of him, or of a public mourning for his death.

This is good restriction, barring the exceptions.

The Annual Review

Is by Bro. Albro E. Chase. Rarely has any reviewer reported more of value to his grand lodge than can be found in Brother Chase's 109 pages. He is crowding into the corner as a condenser Bro. Irving Todd, of Minnesota. Things are boiled down and room made for more of them.

The review of Illinois covers a little less than two pages. He quotes from the Illinois correspondent's report for 1911, "under Canada," about the Eastern Star; "under Kentucky," about the "blue" degrees and other bodies, and "under Oklahoma," concerning the grand lodge meddling with other bodies, alleged to be higher.

All these are given without comment, evidently with approval. He also quotes Brother Ashley's report regaring the "proper channel" for correspondence between lodges and other grand jurisdictions.

In reviewing Iowa Brother Chase very pertinently says that "we have no thought that "robes or stereopticon" add to the degrees in masonry. Symbolic teaching needs no outside accessories or "modern machinery." Some people would paint the lily or tint the rose.

A Star Welcome.

Brother Chase discovers a unique and most ingenious address of welcome to the grand lodge of Iowa. He quotes as follows;

I welcome you on the five points of fellowship as represented in Marion and Cedar Rapids who join to make your visit so pleasant a memory that at no distant date you will again return. The first point of fellowship is the Eastern Stars, whom you see everywhere around you, and if you but listen you will hear in accents sweet that you are "one among a thousand." The second point of fellowship is Iowa Consistory No. 2, whose members are so anxious your every wish shall be anticipated that their welcome to you is well symbolized by the emblem of the order, the double eagle. As it looks in all directions so they are today looking to welcome you. The "third point of fellowship" is Apollo commandery. The Sir Knights meet you "with staff and script" and "such as they have they give freely unto you," a welcome as sincere as "the fifth libation." The fourth point of fellowship is the "chapter." The companions have examined your work and found it "good work, true work, square work, work fit for the master." With the "true word" and their fraternal "three-times-three" they bid you thrice welcome, beneath their great "royal arch" of hospitality. The fifth point of fellowship—the blue lodges—at once the foundation and the keystone of masonry, combining under the loyal blue all others, join in extending the right hand of fraternity to welcome you within the tyled doors of the city today.

In the light of this gem from the Hawkeye welcomer, who will ever again question the intimate relation that masonry bears to other bodies affiliated with it?

Grand master, Elmer P. Spofford, Deer Isle; grand secretary, Stephen Berry, Portland.

MANITOBA—1912.

72 Lodges. 37th Annual. 5,967 Members.

Coming in good time and in handsome apparel are the proceedings of the grand jurisdiction of Manitoba of western Canada. This young grand lodge is typical of the progressive province in which it has its life and activities. An increase of one lodge and a net gain of 348 in membership show substantial advancement. The representative of the Illinois grand lodge did not answer to roll call.

The annual address of Grand Master Wemyss was a forceful document. He tells of Bro. John Dempsey, who had recently died. Brother Dempsey became a mason in Belfast, Ireland, in 1836, having been one

of the craft for seventy-six years. Truly here must have been the "oldest mason in the world."

Brother Wemyss points out that there has been so much of harmony that he has not been "called upon to give any decision of general interest to the craft."

Masonry's True Purpose.

The Manitoban grand master has the true conception of the aim and purpose of masonry. He says that—

We are all proud of the antiquity of our order. The fact that its origin is lost in the mists of antiquity appeals to the human imagination in a way that nothing else can do. No thinking mason also can fail to be impressed with the beauty and symbolism of our ritual. At the same time none of us should ever lose sight of the fact that its mere antiquity is not any adequate reason for its continuance—that masonry must if it is going to continue to prosper, justify its existence in the present, and also that the ritual is merely a means to an end and not an end in itself. Upon us devolves this responsibility just as our predecessors were responsible for the conduct of the craft in the years that are gone, and as our successors must assume the same responsibility when our day's work is done.

Danger is from Within.

Again he says that—

The worst enemies of masonry are not those outside its pale who sneer at and decry the craft, but its own members who in the life and conversation do not attempt to carry out its principles. A mason may be letter perfect in his ritual, regular in his attendance at lodge, but if outside the lodge room his conduct is actuated only by selfishness, if he be unscrupulous in his business transactions, or obscene and profane in his conversation, he is a stumbling stone in the way of very many of his brethren and a very potent argument against masonry.

These words are "like apples of gold in pictures of silver." No outside foe can seriously injure the old fraternity, but the unworthy brother on the inside can wound it and send it limping to its death.

Almost American.

Manitoba is very American in most of its ways. Perhaps it would be better to say very Canadian, but the two are much the same. Canada and the United States are so closely akin in population, production and enterprise that it is not surprising that their grand lodges should resemble each other in many of their features. Manitoba unlike many British provinces, notably the Australasian, do not strive to secure some title-bespangled officer in church or state to be the nominal head. Plain John Wemyss was grand master. Yet, Manitoba has some English features. One of these is the "Board of General Purposes," dividing

the labors and responsibilities, during the vacation, with the grand master.

This board reported some important recommendations. One was that special jewels be provided for the grand representatives of Manitoba "near our daughter grand lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan, such jewels to remain the property of this grand lodge."

The board also decided that a visitor must produce "documentary evidence that he is a member in good standing or a dimitted member of a regularly constituted lodge owing allegiance to a grand lodge recognized by this grand body; and further that any brother who may continue to be a visitor beyond the year in which he was last examined, must produce documentary evidence of good standing in his lodge for the current year, before being admitted."

It was also recommended that all lodges be required to use a combined form of receipt for dues with certificate of the regularity of the lodge issuing it. This is the exact amendment pending here in Illinois.

Worth Going Miles to See.

One other will be of interest for its novelty as well as its originality. It is that—

Grand honors at all public functions be abolished, and that private grand honors be given as follows: The first movement is to strike the thighs with the palms, the second movement is to cross the arms over the breast, the left over the right, and the palms sharply striking the shoulders, the third movement is to raise the hands above the head, striking the palms together, then three smart claps are given as follows: One right hand on left, one left hand on right, and one right hand on left.

All these were approved by the grand lodge and are now in force.

For a small grand lodge, with only seventy-two lodges, and less than 6,000 members a good, round salary is paid to the grand secretary. He gets $2,400 besides liberal allowance for rent of office, postage and express, etc.

No correspondence committee is provided and no review of grand lodges prepared.

Grand master, William Chambers, Hamiota; grand secretary, James A. Ovas, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND—1911.

114 Lodges. 125th Annual. 14,431 Members.

"Maryland, my Maryland" comes in a book of 450 pages, handsomely gowned in the traditional blue. It opens with the minor chord dominant. A special communication on January 6, 1911, was held to pay a suitable tribute to the late venerable grand secretary, William M. Isaac. Deputy Grand Master Brewer presided in the absence of Grand Master Shryock, whose illness prevented his attendance. During the long service of Brother Shryock as grand master, Brother Isaac has been his most faithful assistant as grand secretary. It is rather a singular incident that before the year closed, the grand lodge was convened in special session to bury, with the impressive ceremonies of the craft, the remains of James R. Brewer, deputy grand master since 1902. This was on November 21, 1911. Grand Master Shryock was thus called upon to part with another of his valued helpers in the great work of fraternity.

The proceedings under review give a record of the year's work in the 248th semi-annual and the 125th annual communications. These numbers suggest age and ripened experience. The gain in membership of 257 does not suggest that vigor of enthusiasm necessary to greatest progress. Can it be possible that leadership, too long in one man, may account for the almost stationary condition of masonry in this rich old commonwealth?

Opens with Pomp.

The custom of opening the grand lodge by the deputy grand master and sending for the grand master with show of ceremony still continues. Since the present grand master has served twenty-seven consecutive years, he ought to be able to be received with all his blushes skillfully concealed from public view.

A condition of ideal harmony is shown in the report of the committee on grievance. No cases were before the committee at the semi-annual or annual meetings.

The grand master announced the appointment of Bro. George Cook as grand secretary to fill vacancy caused by the death of Brother Isaac.

Grand Master Shryock does not make a written report of his year's work as all other grand masters do. He does not share responsibility with his brethren but carries it all himself. His address was confined to reporting the deaths and commenting upon the lives of the distinguished craftsmen who have gone to eternal refreshment during the year.

It was reported that every lodge had "made its returns to the grand secretary, paid its dues and is represented here tonight."

The next semi-annual communication will be held at "Easton, where the grand lodge was organized in April, 1787."

Grand Master Shryock was unanimously re-elected for the 27th time by acclamation.

Questionable Relations.

The record shows that Maryland is rather broad in establishing fraternal relations with grand lodges of other countries. Nine are on its list that, according to Illinois standards, are not regular. These are Brazil, Belgium, Egypt, Chili, Greece, Central America, Italy and South Africa.

The late P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, receives a suitable place in the pages of "In Memoriam." At the close of his report on correspondence Bro, Edward T. Schultz pays the following tender tribute to the memory of Brother Smith. He says that—

It is with inexpressible regret that we have to announce, that since the close of the grand lodge, the brethren have been called upon to mourn the death of one of the most distinguished masons not only of their jurisdiction, but of the masonic world, General John Corson Smith, which sad event occurred on Saturday, December 31, 1910, in the seventy-ninth year of his age.

But few masons, living or dead, were the recipients of more honors and distinctions than Brother Smith.

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Comes from the brain but not from the hand of the venerable Edward T. Schultz. In his conclusion Brother Schultz says that he is and long has been "handicapped by total blindness." By the assistance of others he has been able to present one of the best reports coming from the corps of correspondents. Others read the proceedings to him and take his dictation. This is his twenty-fifth review. He also says that he has written his thirty-fifth for the grand chapter R.A.M. The report on Illinois is an excellent summary of our 1910 proceedings. Of Grand Master Ashley's report he says that it is "in marked contrast to many grand masters of very much smaller jurisdictions. No decisions are reported."

Brother Schultz does not agree that the law can take from a non-affiliate "the rights and privileges of masonry." He can be deprived of his lodge rights but it can go no further. Masonry today operates through lodges. To deprive a man of the rights and privileges of the lodge is

not very different from taking from him his masonic rights. There may be a distinction but the practical difference is slight, if there be any at all. At any rate the grand lodge of Illinois did not care merely to scotch the snake of non-affiliation but it sought to kill it.

Ohio Within the Law.

Under Indiana Brother Schultz says—"We think Brother Scott is perfectly correct in stating that the undoubted consensus of opinion of masonic writers is that the grand master of Ohio acted within his legal rights" when he made Taft a mason at sight. The high compliment paid by Brother Schultz to the Illinois correspondent's first review is highly appreciated, coming as it does from one of the veterans in such work.

In concluding Brother Schultz enters into a learned and exhaustive discussion upon the subject of the "Prerogative of a grand master to make a mason at sight." This is with Bro. Thomas M. Matthews, of Texas. There is little need or profit in such labors. If a grand master sees fit to do as the grand master of Ohio did recently and his grand lodge approves the action, what can any one else do about it?

Grand master, Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore; grand secretary, George Cook, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS—1911.

243 Lodges. 178th Annual. 60,844 Members.

The Old Bay state indulges in many sessions of the grand lodge during each year. Quarterly meetings were held March, June, September and December, the latter being designated as "annual." The "stated" comes St. John's day in December one week after the annual. In addition eleven "specials" are recorded. It does not seem likely that the craft in Massachusetts will go to sleep for want of means of getting together. An increase in membership of 2,165 indicates a healthy growth.

In many things the old commonwealth is different. These peculiarities have, heretofore, been pointed out. In the volume of proceedings under review is found a table of "Contents" so elaborate in detail as to cover seven pages. This is more complete than the index given by most other grand lodges. Then again in concluding the volume, an eleven-page index is given. There can be little fear that any searcher after items of business will be troubled to find what he wants.

Uncle Sam Still Endorses Masonry.

The laying of the corner-stone of the federal building at Beverly shows that Uncle Sam still feels that it is not beneath his dignity to have the ancient craft plant the head stone of the corner in his edifices. Since the day that George Washington, as the representative of the masonic fraternity, laid the corner-stone of the national capitol at Washington, many government buildings have had the services of the great masonic brotherhood.

Home Dedicated.

On May 25, 1911, the Masonic Home at Charlton was dedicated to the tender care of, and beneficence to, the dependents of the fraternity. This was a great day for Massachusetts Masonry. After 178 years of existence the craft enters upon the more efficient plan of systematic charity in institutional home life. The long battle between organized charitable effort and individual and voluntary care of the needy has been won by those who believe in the massing of the mites of the many into such sufficient sums as will insure certain comfort to masonic beneficiaries as a matter of business.

In his address the grand master said that "the establishment of this Home today is the result of no recent inspiration, but has been the growth of years." The dedicatory exercises were elaborate and most impressive. The Home grounds consist of 397 acres most admirably situated.

After paying all claims a balance of about $12,000 is shown. This is most gratifying at home and abroad. The record discloses pledges amounting to over $186,000 and cash from same of over $156,000, a gain of more than $5,000. At the December quarterly session there were reported thirteen men and one woman in the shelter of the Home.

English Lodges Small.

In discussing the requirements for establishing new lodges the committee gives a bit of interesting information. It says that "the number of masons under the United Grand Lodge of England including colonies, is about 150,000; the number of lodges is about 2,900; the average membership in a body (each lodge) is about 52." England does not give out its membership and it is necessary to guess as to her numerical strength. However, the above figures may be taken as substantially correct.

The Illinois plan of suppressing names in cases of discipline before the grand lodge is also in vogue in Massachusetts. The "commissioner of trials" uses these hieroglyphic forms—"Case of F—M—K—." Again

"Germania lodge vs. Brother J—W—." Not many cases get into grand lodge. They are threshed out on the way.

M.W. Bro. Royal A. Gove, past grand master of the state of Washington, was received with the honors due his exalted station.

The new name for Valle de Mexico was substituted and fraternal relations continued. Italy knocked for admission but was told to wait for further investigation.

Grand Master Flanders reports under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts three lodges in China and three in Chile. Getting out some distance from home is in this expanded control.

Fraud Checked by Court.

The grand master says that—

I cannot close this *resumé* of our accomplishments during the past year without calling your attention to the disposition by the United States Court of one of the fraudulent and clandestine promoters of spurious or bogus masonry. It has been a sorce of great regret that the public should have been imposed upon so long, and it is with much satisfaction that announcement is made in the "press" that one source has been effectively removed.

Massachusetts has been a hot-bed of the clandestine and fraudulent.

After three years of service as grand master, Dana J. Flanders retires in favor of Everett C. Benton, elected by a practically unanimous vote.

Historic Names.

A relic of great historic interest was presented by Tyrian lodge of Gloucester. It was a photographic copy of the original charter granted that lodge in 1770. This bore the signature of the famous Revolutionary soldier, Joseph Warren, as grand master.

The "stated" meeting of the year is held on St. John's day, December 27. The business of this session is solely to install the grand officers and to enjoy the "grand feast." The grand master said that these celebrations began "in 1733, only some thirteen years after the meeting of the first lodge ever held in America, in King's chapel in Boston." He also mentions the proper pride he felt in presiding over a jurisdiction that gave to our common country such men as Joseph Warren, John Hancock, Benjamin Franklin and Paul Revere. It is a source of sincere regret to this reviewer that space will will not permit reproduction of all the admirable toasts and speeches on the occasion of the celebration of the feast of St. John the evangelist in 1911.

No review of grand lodges is made by Massachusetts. Such a summary would be of value to the masonic world and might be helpful to the craft in the state claiming to be the mother of masonry in America.

Grand master, Everett C. Benton, Boston; grand secretary, Thomas W. Davis, Masonic Temple, Boston.

MICHIGAN—1912.

421 Lodges. 68th Annual. 68,396 Members.

For a large, handsome book of proceedings look at Michigan for 1912. The printer's art is well understood in the state of the twin peninsulas. The annual meeting was held at Detroit, May 28 and 29, 1912. A net gain of 2,688 betokens life and growth. The life membership continues to grow. Last year the number was 1,262, this it is 1,467. This number is a load for the working members to carry. As it gets larger from year to year the burden will be heavier.

The volume is something of a picture gallery. A full page likeness of Grand Master Thompson comes first. On the opposite page is a handsome group of the eleven grand officers who are his helpers. As a new feature, twelve pages are given to handsome half-tones of as many of "Michigan's masonic temples." This is rather striking, showing some excellent specimens of architecture. The new Home is also shown in a full-page picture. Truly the craft in the Wolverine state are not homeless.

One of the features of the meeting was the reception of two distinguished Virginia masons. One of these is Grand Master W. L. Andrews, who favored Illinois with a visit last year. The other was Charles H. Callahan, past master of Alexandria-Washington lodge. These brethren made excellent speeches and were well entertained by the Michiganders.

No addition was made this year to the roll of those who had gone into the silent land. Arthur M. Hume, Illinois' representative, was present. Seventeen past grand masters are recorded. Only two were absent.

Grand Master Dillon was not sparing of special dispensations, over fifty being issued.

The Dean of the World.

The dean of the grand lodge of Michigan is P.G.M. Wm. T. Mitchell. He celebrated his 95th birthday on the day before the grand lodge convened. Brother Mitchell was greeted with great distinction, not only as the dean of the grand lodge of Michigan, but "the dean of past masters, not only of the United States, but in the world." From the speech of Brother Mitchell, although a nonogenarian it may be inferred that he is ninety-five years young. He says "mere years do not tell age." Quite true, Methuselah with his 969 years, judged by achievement in the world's work, was much younger than Spurgeon or Wesley, who failed to live little beyond a half century. Another veteran was introduced. This was Bro. A. T. Metcalf, who said, "It is now half a century since I presided as grand master of this state." Some one up that way must have discovered a real fountain of youth. Brother Metcalf posed as the youthful escort of Brother Mitchell.

The Masonic Home

Is now well settled in what was the Alma Sanitarium, the gift of a Mr. Wright. This present was made after destruction by fire in 1910 of the Home. Mr. Wright was not a mason but wanted to aid in the good work of caring for the needy and helpless. Insurance was placed on the Home to the amount of $100,000.

The new Home was dedicated March 29, 1912. The grand master says that this "was undoubtedly the greatest grand lodge function that has ever taken place in Michigan." On the day of dedication the donor of the Home, Mr. A. W. Wright, was not able to attend on account of physical disability. He, however, viewed the scene from his window. A little later Mr. Wright was called to his reward. Suitable tributes were paid to his memory.

In changing to the new Home the superintendent was checked out and a new one installed. The report showed that $4.64 per week per head was the ordinary expense of maintenance for the fifty-nine members. It was shown that in putting the Alma Sanitarium in condition for the Home work the cost was $24,159.53. It is now a valuable property, thoroughly equipped for the purpose of caring for masonic dependents. The law was so changed as to make grand lodge dues 65 cents instead of 45 cents, the 20 cents additional to go to the Home and hospital. This seems very low, even with the increase.

On recommendation of the grand master provision was made for an official stenographer, $500 being appropriated for that purpose.

Spurious keys to the work are making trouble. It will be so until Michigan masons put the ritual in their heads and hearts and throw the key in the well.

A Righteous Protest.

The grand lodge joined Mississippi in protesting against the order of the war department prohibiting masonic emblems on monuments and markers in national cemeteries. This reviewer is under the impression that this order has been recalled. Certainly, as George Washington put masonic emblems on the corner stone of the nation's capital, it could do no harm to let the sleeping braves have the symbols they cherished in life over them as they molder again to dust.

Grand Secretary Winsor confines his report strictly to the business of his office. He leaves all else to the grand master and others whose province it is to deal therewith. A considerable number of lodges show up delinquent in returns and in proper tabulation of information.

Germany Will Not Reply.

A special report of the committee on correspondence shows that it has been a futile effort to get even a reply from the governing body of German masons. It seems that, before any other of the Teutonic grand bodies will consider recognition, it is necessary to be approved by the German Grand Lodge Union. Brother Winsor says that—

That soon after the close of the 1910 annual communication of grand lodge, your committee addressed letters to the secretaries of the union of the grand lodges of German, the Zu den Drei Weltkugen (Three Globes), at Berlin, National lodge (Landesloge) at Berlin, Royal York, at Berlin, grand lodge of Hamburg, grand lodge of Saxony, Zur Sonne (The Sun) at Bayreuth, Eclectic Union at Frankfort and Zur Eintracht (Concord) at Darmstadt; that it only received replies to three of these letters, namely: from the grand lodge Eclectic Union, at Frankfort, the grand lodge of Saxony and the national grand lodge of Germany, each of which expressed a willingness and desire to enter into fraternal relations with the grand lodge of Michigan, but stated that they were not permitted to do so without the consent of the German Grand Lodge Union, and that it would be necessary that our grand lodge first receive recognition from that grand lodge. I was advised that the management of the business of the German Grand Lodge Union was in the hands of the Highly Honored Brother Wegener, general-lieutenant grand master of the grand national mother lodge of the Three Globes in Berlin. I immediately renewed my efforts with the German Grand Lodge Union, but as yet have been unsuccessful in receiving any response to my communications to Brother Wegener.

The German bodies are either "offish" or slow. In Illinois some brethren have been disposed to find fault with the Illinois grand lodge

because members of German bodies cannot visit lodges in this grand jurisdiction. Other grand lodges are similarly situated.

Wanders About.

The grand lodge of Michigan "boards 'round" so to speak. An effort was made to fix a permanent place for the annual meetings, and for the grand secretary's office. There was nothing done. The grand lodge remains "on wheels" and the grand secretary carries the headquarters about with him. The next annual will be held at Lansing, the home of Grand Master Thompson.

The salary of the grand secretary was changed from $1,800 to $2,400. Certificates to grand lodges officers were authorized. These are to be used as documentary evidence in visiting other grand jurisdictions.

Brother Callahan, of Virginia, presented the grand lodge of Michigan with a gavel. The body was from a magnolia tree planted by George Washington, the handle from wood taken from the home of his adopted daughter, and the little knob from the bed on which Washington died. Brother Callahan waxed eloquent and rich in sentiment in presenting it. He then called upon Grand Chaplain Gallagher, who, in response, "let-er-go" as follows;

This is a serious moment in my life. I had no expectation of being called upon—not the slightest. This is a dignified occasion and yet I am compelled to say to you, now that chickens have been taught to talk, by feeding them ground phonograph records, you expect your grand chaplain to talk at any moment he is called upon, simply because he has been traveling around with the grand officers for six years, feeding on ground chestnuts.

He then showed that he had more in his cranium than "ground chestnuts."

The Eighth Annual Review

By Grand Secretary Winsor is one of the longest coming to the notice of the writer. It takes 315 pages to tell the masonic story. The grand lodge by-laws contain the following;

The committee shall refrain from criticism of such proceedings, as well as promulgating the opinion of the committee upon decisons, laws and regulations of this or any other grand lodge.

This restriction does not shorten the report and deprives masons of Michigan and elsewhere of much of the wisdom and experience of the efficient grand secretary of the Wolverine state. The review is made up largely of extracts from proceedings, well selected and well put together.

Brother Winsor was particularly generous of space to Colorado. It required eleven pages to print all he wanted of that state. Eight pages

were given to Illinois. He says that "a fine portrait of M.W. Bro. Albert B. Ashley forms the frontispiece." Considering the original, how could it be otherwise? Brother Ashley's report was drawn upon liberally. The part referring to communications of lodges from different states, via the grand masters, was given in full. "Masonry and Religion" was also quoted without abridgment.

Our Form Quoted.

The proposed amendment and form for uniform receipt to be used by lodges in Illinois for documentary evidence was given complete.

Brother Winsor quotes the amendment regarding non-affiliates and says that it was "patterned evidently after the law of the grand lodge of Michigan, which has been in successful operation for several years."

The speech of Grand Master Ashley in installing Brother Darrah, his response and the remarks of Bro. Owen Scott are reproduced. Liberal quotations are made from the introduction to the Illinois review of grand lodges for 1911. Evidently the attitude of the writer regarding printed rituals is approved. The comment advising a bonfire is copied in full.

Grand master, James H. Thompson, Lansing; grand secretary, Lou B. Winsor, Reed City.

MINNESOTA—1912.

253 Lodges. 59th Annual. 26,543 Members.

A handsome, well-printed volume gives the masonic record for 1911. The annual was held in St. Paul, January 17 and 18, 1912. The retiring grand master, Elmer A. Kling, looks benignantly into one's face as the book of proceedings is opened. The grand secretary is so accommodating as to print on the title page the names of officers of the grand chapter R.A.M., grand council R. & S.M. and grand commandery K.T. What have the Eastern Star and consistory bodies done that they are not included? Of course the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, *et al.*, cannot complain if they are not so favored. These latter are, however, quite as much in official touch with the grand lodge of masons as those included in the proceedings.

Illinois was represented by P.G.M. A. T. Stebbins.

The address of the grand master was an unusually strong and sensible document. No attempt was made to speculate or philosophize. It was a plain and practical presentation of the business of the year. The demise of our P.G.M. JOHN C. SMITH was presented.

ABOUT THEIR LAW.

Fifteen decisions were reported, although Brother KLING says that but few of his rulings need to come before the grand lodge.

Their law provides for striking from the rolls those who do not pay their dues. They are not suspended. The grand master holds that they merely become non-affiliates. Before they can be restored to membership they must pay their arrearages.

A local agent for a brewery is held to be engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors. His petition for degrees or affiliation cannot be received. A petitioner, who has resided less than one year in the jurisdiction of the lodge in which he seeks membership, must be refused. He has not acquired a masonic residence. The lodge from whose jurisdiction he came cannot grant a waiver because, when he removed, jurisdiction was lost. He must wait until he acquires a new residence.

An effort was made to take the lead in arranging with the American grand lodges for celebrating in 1917 the 200th anniversary of the mother grand lodge of England. It was discovered that Iowa and the District of Columbia had preceded Minnesota in this movement. It was, therefore, decided to co-operate with the plans of the District of Columbia.

An opening and closing ceremony for the grand lodge was prepared by the board of custodians and adopted and used.

CERTIFIED RECEIPT FOR DUES.

The grand lodge of Minnesota provided for a receipt for dues to be furnished by the grand secretary to all the lodges. This is in almost the exact form presented to this grand lodge last October. It has the certificate of the grand secretary that the lodge issuing it is a regular lodge. This is to meet the amost universal demand for documentary evidence. An effort was made to find a stenographer who was a mason. None could be found. Stenographers do not appear to take to masonry in St. Paul and Minneapolis. They might import Brother GRIFFIN, of Chicago, who, for years, has so efficiently served this grand lodge.

The Illinois list of regular lodges was ordered and $200 appropriated for the same.

Albert J. Krueger, representative of Minnesota near the grand lodge of Belgium, presented an elaborate and interesting report of the work of the Belgian body.

Justice to Small Lodges.

The law was changed so that the small and far-away lodges, whose grand lodge dues do not equal the amounts paid in mileage and per diem to their representatives, are to be on the same basis as the large and near-by lodges. This is only an act of justice. Masonry can't figure on such an equivalent. In Illinois there are many lodges in the opposite end of the state from Chicago that never have, nor probably never can have, members enough to make their payment to the grand lodge as large as their representative receives in mileage and per diem. These small lodges are as truly masonic and are doing as much good in proportion to population as are those which pay much more than their representatives receive. If the grand lodge should conclude to meet in a central city the geography of the criticism would be radically changed.

Though vitally interested in the Masonic Home, the grand lodge of Minnesota does not have control of this institution. It is managed by a private corporation of masons. The grand lodge appropriated $1,000 for two permanent memberships in the Home. Eventually the Home will become the direct charge of the grand lodge as in Illinois.

Altogether too Modest.

The annual oration was by Alex. G. McNight. Little reason is seen why this brother should consume a full printed page in discrediting his inability to orate. If what he said were true, and he were as unfit as he insisted, he should have declined the appointment. However, the excellence of the production shows that the brother was over modest or scarcely sincere in discounting his ability. One or two paragraphs will suffice to show the merits of the oration. He says that—

Masonry cannot afford, as some churches have done to shut itself up in the "hum-drum of its rites, in the monotony of its lectures." In preserving unimpaired through the centuries the invaluable principle of brotherly love, masonry has rendered an excellent service. The loyalty of mason to mason has mitigated the fierceness of business, social and political strife. But, as the churches are finding that they cannot live within themselves, that they cannot be content with merely saving the saved, so masonry will find that it must go beyond its tyled walls, beyond the limits of its membership, if it is going to do the service which the spirit of the age calls it to do.

Masonry Makes Men Better.

Again he says—

No quarrel can or should be had with our ritualistic forms and ceremonies. Powerful in their simplicity, they have wrought wonders in changing the lives of men. None, but the most calloused, can leave the altar of masonry with the better angel of his nature untouched. But it is certainly unfortunate for our splendid institution if we deem these forms and ceremonies as the limit and the measure of our masonic service.

Brother McNight is evidently a student of sociology. He goes quite freely into the movements of the day in social service. He does this well, too. He adds again—

We need, therefore, in our institution a broadening of our field of labor. We need to engage in work which will place all of the splendid prestige of the masonic fraternity back of the great world-wide movement, which has behind it the great idea of mitigating the inequalities of our social system.

The Correspondence Report

Is one of special merit. Bro. Irving Todd again writes it. The length of this review does not compare with others, but in crisp comment and vital summary it stands unique. "The grand master's annual report is strictly a business document." Then in a string of brief statements it is given in miniature. One of these is "a readable address was delivered by Bro. W. W. Wilson, grand orator." The part of the correspondence report of Illinois referring to Minnesota is reproduced. He then adds—

Brother Scott is of the opinion that the exclusion of the Eastern Star from lodge rooms is very narrow and unreasonable; that the best way to avoid the cipher abuse is to have none; that there is no reason for the life membership exemption from dues; that the dispensation mill has been running over time; that it it as much a duty to detect a fraud as to relieve a worthy brother; that masons do well to be sociable; that the so-called blue lodge is masonry itself; that past grand officers should be real ones, and not sail under the wrong flag; that numbers are not everything, although desirable; that it is easier to plan a showy building than to pay for it; that it is a beautiful custom to give a candidate the bible on which he was obligated; and that the home provided by Wisconsin for its grand secretary is a sort of masonic parsonage.

How is that for comprehensive brevity? As a digester Brother Todd is entitled to take the whole cookey factory.

Grand master, Owen Morris, St. Paul; grand secretary, John Fishel, St. Paul.

MISSISSIPPI—1912.

357 Lodges. 94th Annual. 18,931 Members.

Most appropriately, the great mason of Mississippi and the south and one of the chiefest in the whole country, the late Frederic Speed, is honored by a full page likeness as a frontispiece. Brother Speed was past grand master and for many years had been grand secretary. An emergent communication was held at Vicksburg, March 12, 1911, and every honor the grand lodge could bestow was the cheerful service of the craft of his state.

The grand master made his son, Frederic Gordon Speed, his successor.

Another past grand master, Enoch George DeLap, passed away December 24, 1911. He was buried at Natchez with masonic honors by the grand lodge he had served.

The annual session was held at Hattiesburg, February 20 and 21, 1912.

As a penalty for vibrating from one city to another for the annual meetings, a reception from the city of Hattiesburg was inflicted. Each place feels that the grand lodge must be "entertained." Illinois was unrepresented. The record shows no representative from either grand lodge to the other. Why is this thus?

The grand master reports the death of four past grand masters, a rather heavy toll for one year.

Refuses to Accommodate.

Many dispensations to confer degrees out of time were refused. Persons often take a sudden notion to become masons. They live near a lodge for years and think so little of it that they do not ask admission. They are about to remove elsewhere or go on a journey and conclude it would be useful and convenient to be a mason. They ask that the lodge procure a dispensation to meet their convenience. Grand Master Brooks refused such applications, most properly.

Among cases coming to the grand master was one where a man had become an entered apprentice about twenty-five or thirty years before. He claimed that he had received the other two degrees but he could produce no record or evidence, except his own statement. The grand master held that he must prove his case, failing to do this, he can only be an entered apprentice until he is further advanced.

Grand Master Brooks made few decisions but was prolific in recommendations. One of the latter was that fraternal relations be broken off with the grand lodge of Scotland "until that grand jurisdiction shall repudiate the action of Dundee lodge, a subordinate member of that jurisdiction, for violating a universal qualification for membership and for conferring the degrees of masonry upon the negro prize fighter, Jack Johnson, who was NOT at the time of his so-called initiation even a citizen of Scotland."

Masonic Symbols Excluded.

Again he says that—

I notice from the masonic press that an order has been issued by the war department to the great national cemetery at Arlington prohibiting the erection of any monument or grave-stone which has a square and compass carved upon it, but permits a cross or other religious emblem.

In view of the fact that masonry is, and has always been, non-political and non-sectarian and that it has always endorsed and supported the prevailing laws of the country in which located and that it has always stood for free thought, free speech and free conscience, therefore, I recommend that this grand lodge take official notice of this order and that it pass such resolutions and recommendations as in its judgment may be deemed wise and proper and in keeping with the high standard of morality that this ancient and honorable institution has aways maintained.

Resolutions were adopted requesting members of congress to take this up with the government at Washington.

Can't Make One Ritual Universal.

One lodge presented a resolution providing that—

This grand body take the necessary steps through their custodians to communicate with the custodians of the different grand jurisdictions of the United States of North America to have a convention of these different custodians called and adopt a uniform work.

The committee to which this resolution went reported adversely. Nothing short of a miracle could bring the many sovereign grand lodges to an agreement for uniform work. It might be easy if all the others would adopt the work of Mississippi or that of any other grand lodge, but they will not.

The Orphans' Home

Was reported as in excellent condition, caring for seventy-five children. The only provision for the aged and indigent mason, his widow or daughter, is to appropriate $50, provided his lodge furnishes an equal amount. This no doubt is better than nothing, but such a plan insures but meager

support for the helpless. Many lodges will not, and some cannot, produce the sum necessary to secure the grand lodge appropriation.

The Order of the Eastern Star is given credit for liberal responses to appeals for aid for the needy. This is always so.

Takes It All In.

The "report of the committee on masonic law and jurisprudence" cuts a wide swath. It considers systematically and alphabetically almost every phase of masonic action from "appeals" to "title to lodge property," and ending with "miscellaneous," a sort of grab bag for everything left over. The report is able and valuable in construing masonic law and giving masonic usage. It was held by this committee that a "lodge cannot hold a communication or transact any business in the absence of the master, S.W. and J.W." Even conferring degrees in their absence was held to be in violation of law, and required a dispensation from the grand master to legalize it.

It was also decided that, in case of a vacancy by death or removal in the office of master, an election to fill the vacancy could not be held. The wardens by seniority would preside.

Solomon Mistaken.

Bro. James M. Dickey was, on motion of a past grand master, elected as "an honorary past grand master." Was not Solomon mistaken in announcing that "there is nothing new under the sun?" Men who do not win their spurs should not be forcibly invested with these useful appendages.

Much valuable time was wasted and much good space in the printed proceedings spoiled in trying to fix the status of certain outside organizations. Cerneauism, northern and southern jurisdictions and the legitimacy or illegitimacy of certain rites and orders are wholly foreign to any grand lodge of ancient craft masons. The three degrees, the lodges conferring them and the grand lodge in each state or province are all there is to legitimate freemasonry. Those who go outside of these invite fifty-seven varieties of grief and trouble. Masons have enough to do in minding their own business. They have little time for anything else.

The Annual Review

Is written by P.G.M. Harry Howard. It is his sixth effort in the field of foreign correspondence. In his introduction Brother Howard makes the following significant comment. He says—

For the information of those who read this report, I wish to say that our action in severing our fraternal relations with New Jersey on

account of Alpha lodge being composed almost entirely of negroes has been looked upon by the masonic world with laughter. It waits with wonder our action in regard to all the other grand lodges which admit negroes to membership, England, Scotland, Nova Scotia, and many others with whom we hold fraternal relations, and whose lodges recognize no difference in race, color or creed. Asks us what we propose doing with Scotland, that has made a mason of that black bruiser, Jack Johnson.

To these questions the writer replies by quoting the speech made by this "Dundee-made-mason":

"Well, master, I want to speak to you and all of the boys from the bottom of mah heart. I'm real pleased to be heah and become a mason under the auspices of such a fine lodge, as it has been one of the ambitions of mah life to become a mason, and this is the proudest day of mah existence. Mrs. Johnson's father is a big mason across the pond. He holds thirty-two degrees. Some day I may do the same. God bless each and every one of you, from the bottom of Jack Johnson's heart."

Jack Johnson not a Mason.

Truly this is a sad situation. Information comes, however, that authorities of the grand lodge of Scotland have come to the rescue of masonic decency. The following report was unanimously adopted by the Scotch body.

That as the meeting of the lodge at which the initiation took place was an illegal meeting, all the acts done at that meeting are null and void; that the initiation of Jack Johnson be of no effect, and that the lodge be directed to return the fees paid by him; also that the lodge be asked to show cause why it should not be suspended, and that the master and three of the past masters be dealt with similarly.

The review of Illinois does little more than to quote from the annual report of Grand Master Ashley. Those portions referring to lecturers and district deputies and representation of lodges are given in full. The remainder is the mere recital of what was done.

Grand master, J. Rice Williams, Houston; grand secretary, Frederic G. Speed, Vicksburg.

MISSOURI—1911.

618 Lodges. 91st Annual. 53,218 Members.

Our big neighbor across the river is making substantial progress in promoting fraternal betterments. Her material growth for the past year is shown in a gain in membership of 2,132. The annual meeting began in St. Louis, September 26, 1911, and continued three days. The volume of proceedings opens with a veritable picture gallery. The first adornment is that of the retiring grand master, Clay Cicero Bigger. The picture looks the part. Think of the name—Clay, then Cicero and then Bigger! Following this is the efficient grand lecturer, J. R. McLachlan. Last is the sterling face and figure of John W. Owen, the grand tyler. He bears his eighty-seven years with grace and dignity. He has been grand tyler for thirty years, beginning this service in 1881. After each of the pictures is found a biographical sketch.

Prior to the opening of the grand lodge the children from the Masonic Home marched on the stage and delighted the assembled craftsmen with an excellent entertainment.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a most able presentation of masonry in its varied aspects as shown in the work of the year just completed. A single paragraph will show the high conception of the aims and purposes of masonry held by the grand master. His incisive words follow—

He who has been honored by the privileges of our fraternity, who, on bended knee at the altar of freemasonry, has seen the gloom and darkness around him give way before the advancing light of masonic truth, and who has not felt his heart expand with joy, and whose soul has not been fired with a high and noble resolve to live less for himself and more for others, and to live and labor for the happiness of those around him, has enjoyed the privileges of our order to little purpose. He has failed to grasp and treasure in his heart the sublime truths displayed on the masonic trestleboard; he has failed to learn and be impressed with the great moral lesson which freemasonry teaches: that he who labors most for others, strives most by precept and his own example to raise his fellow man to a higher, nobler life; and that he who has learned to love truth and virtue and to despise deceit and falsehood, lives in harmony with God's eternal truths.

Space forbids further quotation.

The recognition of Valle de Mexico is withdrawn and bestowed upon the "York grand lodge" of which W. H. Seamon is grand master. It

is noted that he is a former Missourian. Even that could scarcely cure the fatal defects of Mexican masonry.

Can't Violate Law by Dispensation.

The grand master refused the request of forty-seven lodges for dispensations to confer the degrees in shorter time than is prescribed in the by-laws. The statement is made that a grand master has no power to change the law by dispensation unless authorized by law to do so. A delightful visit is reported of the grand master and other grand officers to the grand lodge of Kansas held at Kansas City, Kansas.

The Masonic Home

Continues to be the pride of Missouri masons. There are under its sheltering roof 39 men, 52 women, 32 boys and 31 girls—total 154. The need has been felt for greater hospital facilities. Nearly all men and women who come to a masonic home are practically invalids when they are admitted. This is either from age or disease. One of the necessary equipments for a home for the aged and infirm is a hospital or infirmary. Missouri has laid the corner-stone and has its "infirmary" well under way. Illinois should pattern after the example of its neighbor. The grand master notes that the Eastern Star has undertaken to furnish the new infirmary. The ladies are highly commended for their zeal and efficiency in good works.

Taxation of Grand Lodge Property.

Under the law of Missouri all real estate belonging to the grand lodge is exempt from taxation. A question exists, however, as to personal property. In order to be on the safe side the grand master had all personal property listed for taxation to avoid the penalty imposed for failure to do so. In the meantime the question has been submitted to competent legal authority for determination. Surely the principle of exempting the property of a fraternity, using it solely to care for those who would otherwise be a charge on public charity, is a correct one. In every state the property of fraternal homes should be relieved of any burden of taxation.

Decisions as Law.

The grand master reports twenty-one decisions. Most of these simply announce the common law of masonry or are mere constructions of local statutes. In one it is held that "a chartered lodge could not legally meet and work in a building that had not been dedicated and consecrated

to masonic purposes." This is a pretty radical position to take but it certainly possesses all the elements of safety.

In another the law is stated to be that when a brother "as part owner of the (drug) store, knowing of the illegal sales of intoxicating liquors therein, and so knowing, receives his share of the profits of the business, he violates the letter and spirit of section 181 of the grand lodge by-laws." Here is another.

Can Withdraw Petition.

A petition for the mysteries of freemasonry was presented to the lodge and the committee of investigation appointed. At the meeting when the petition was due to be balloted on, the petitioner asked for the withdrawal of the petition. Had he the right and should he have been permitted to withdraw his petition? Answer: Yes, if the committee of investigation had not reported on the petition before the request for withdrawal was made.

In Illinois when a petition is received by the lodge it cannot be withdrawn. It makes no difference whether the committee has reported or not. To allow petitions to be withdrawn after they have been received and referred is to open a wide door for juggling with admission. When it is discovered that there may be a black ball cast, it is scarcely just to the lodge or any member who may desire to keep out an unworthy man, to allow the petition to be returned.

The grand master decided that he had no power to waive the requirement of documentary evidence.

Easy Over Here.

The grand secretary reports that for the sixth consecutive year he had secured annual reports and grand lodge dues from all the 611 lodges. He says it took strenuous and persistent efforts to do this. Brother Cutter, grand secretary of Illinois, grows corpulent over a similar achievement with more than 800 lodges.

The grand secretary reports interest on daily balances amounting to $447.57.

The report of the committee on grand master's address should have been and no doubt was a perfect one. There are no less than nineteen names signed to this report. Judging by the names, it must have been the work of past grand masters. But think what nineteen of them could do to the address of a grand master! In this state a committee of three distributes the report to the various committees. Sometimes in Illinois this becomes a committee of 100. One (the chairman) and two ciphers.

Plenty of Oratory.

The grand lodge of Missouri is not wanting in flights and figures of speech to regale the craft. Two grand orators are named and each orates and does it well. Bro. Fred S. Hudson delivered "an eloquent and thought-enriched oration on 'Ideal Masonry.'" The grand master then introduced Bro. Percy A. Budd, who delivered "an excellent oration on the topic 'Who Comes Here?'" It would appear that by the time the double-dose was administered the brethren would have been so saturated with the beauties and glories of masonry that they would be dripping from every pore. Seriously, both orations were of excellent quality and well worth reproduction, if limits of space permitted.

In Missouri members of the Masonic Home board are elected. In Illinois they are appointed by the grand master.

Appeals and Grievances.

The committee presented a report of fifteen cases and it took twenty-six pages in small type to record it. The fullest details are given and all names published. This is in strange contrast with the brief report submitted by the committee in this state. With more than double the membership the report of Brother Crawford, committee for 1911, requires but one-half of a single page. Then, too, all names of these under discipline are omitted from the printed proceedings. It would appear 113 miles from St. Louis that the Illinois way is to be preferred over that of Missouri.

The Annual Review

Is again written by Bro. Chas. C. Woods. In his preview physical qualifications are named as "the most fruitful cause of agitation and rulings in the masonic world." This is doubtless true. In many cases friends press men who are disqualified by physical defects, because they are "splendid fellows and influential citizens." He thinks that "making a mason at sight" and "colored masonry" have so far expended their force as to be now a negligible quantity.

All Should Pay Their Way.

Under Alabama Brother Woods treats of ministers of the gospel paying fees and dues. He says that—

In masonry, a minister should have the same consideration as any other man—no more, no less! And we have generally found it true that those ministers who received the degrees as a compliment and whose dues are remitted are useless members of the fraternity, if not worse! "A thing is worth what it costs"—an old adage, well applying in this case. If masonry costs a man nothing it is generally worth noth-

ing to him even if he does not hold and treat it with something of contempt. If a minister is worthy and very poor, the lodge may and should assist him, as any other similarly situated.

Brother Woods is himself a minister. For this reason his words can have no tinge of prejudice and are, therefore, entitled to great weight.

Somewhat Mixed.

The Missouri reviewer has himself badly tangled up over the personality of the Illinois correspondent. He credits Bro. Edward Cook with all the "deviltry" of the report for 1910. The writer would be quite content with his error but Brother Cook has some rights that should be safe-guarded. With suitable amends to Brother Cook the incident may be allowed to lapse.

The prayer of Grand Chaplain Bailey at the opening is quoted in full. A large extract is also taken from the report of Grand Master Ashley. Brother Woods thinks the amendment requiring 100 representatives to secure a call of lodges is a proper one "but rather new in masonry." Possibly, but it will save the grand lodge from wasting a half-day at the whims of a few disgruntled members. Our grand lodge tried a call of lodges once but no one since has been brave enough to suggest another.

Brother Ashley's recommendation regarding non-affiliates is quoted in full and voted wise and just.

A full list of names of all suspensions for non-payment of dues and unmasonic conduct, all expulsions and re-instatements are printed in the proceedings.

Grand master, Arch A. Johnson, Springfield; grand secretary, John R. Parson, St. Louis, 510 Pine street.

MONTANA—1911.

70 Lodges. 47th Annual. 6,465 Members.

The annual meeting of the grand lodge of Montana was held at Missoula, September 20 and 21, 1911. Though coming less than a month before the meeting of the grand lodge of Illinois, the review of its proceedings is more than a year old before it can reach the craft in this state.

The book of proceedings is a tasty production, well prepared and well printed. It contains the record of seven special meetings to constitute new lodges, two to bury past grand masters, Bros. Hiram Knowles and Julian M. Knight, and one to dedicate a masonic temple.

A net gain of 508 members shows a healthy growth.

All the lodges had made returns and paid their grand lodge dues. This indicates an efficient grand secretary.

A Senatorial Welcome.

At the opening U. S. senator, Bro. Joseph M. Dixon, made a brief but forcible welcome address on behalf of the city of Missoula. He said—

In speaking of masonry as an uplifting power, I may say that for the last two or three centuries of the world's history I doubt whether there was a more potent civil force among the nations of the globe than the spirit embodied in masonry, represented today by over 6,000 men in Montana.

The Grand Master's Address

Is a plain, sensible business production. He reports his work so that it can be easily understood. The death of P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, receives fitting notice. The grand master reports thirteen decisions, all of which met approval. There is nothing in them beyond the construction of Montana law and of no interest elsewhere. He made three recommendations. In one he suggests that, if an entered apprentice or fellow craft does not seek advancement within a definite time to be fixed by the grand lodge, his right shall cease and he must again petition and pass the ballot. The time was fixed at one year and the recommendation became a law. Another suggestion was that the grand lodge waive jurisdiction over material residing near the state line and closer to a lodge in another state. This was adopted, on condition that the adjoining state reciprocates. Query: How can a grand lodge by resolution waive jurisdiction over persons residing in the territory of a

constituent lodge? Is not the waiver within the sole province of the local lodge?

Some Evade Grand Lodge Dues.

The third recommendation was for a law requiring lodges to pay grand lodge dues on members suspended for non-payment before the annual report is made and reinstatement afterward. This law was enacted and lodges can no longer escape paying their dues by this system of evasion. The deputy grand master and both grand wardens made annual reports the same as the grand master.

The Masonic Home

Is established and has thirteen beneficiaries who are called "inmates." In Illinois we regard them as "members" of our Masonic Home family. There is something in a name. "Inmates" has the flavor of the poor-house, the asylum or other charitable institution. Our homes are fraternal, not charitable. A resolution providing for life membership was defeated by a decisive vote. Brother Hepner read from letters from grand secretaries showing the almost universal opposition to any plan to make classes in lodges by life membership.

A universal card receipt was adopted similar to the one proposed in Illinois. This is to be attested by the grand secretary as to the regularity of the lodge issuing it.

An over-zealous brother started a movement for uniform work in the various grand lodges. It was soon stopped by an overwhelming vote to lay the resolution on the table. We do not do things quite this way in the Prairie State, but the result would be the same. A motion to "lay on the table" is not in order in a masonic body in Illinois. This motion cuts off debate. All questions are open for discussion and then voted down if undesirable. Gag-rule motions are unmasonic.

A Wholesale Business.

On recommendation of Bro. H. S. Hepner for the committee on correspondence a job-lot was made of the recognition of off-color grand lodges. The following were taken into masonic fellowship with the grand lodge of Montana.

York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

Grand Lodges of Sweden, Norway and Denmark.

The Three Globes, Hamburg, Eclectic Union, Royal York, National Grand Lodge of Germany.

Grand Lodge of Saxony.

The Annual Review

Comes again from P.G.M. Hepner as the chairman of the committee on correspondence. It is a well-prepared document. After dismissing as settled many of the questions agitating the craft in various parts of the world, Brother Hepner, in his "introduction," passes clandestine masonry as a "cloudlet upon the masonic horizon," thinks "Latin-American masonry is coming to the front" and recognizes the orient as "awakening from its lethargic sleep." He closes with this bit of poetic fancy—

> Homes and asylums are springing up everywhere; the founts of charity are gushing forth human love and affection and each brother is becoming his brother's keeper. In these labors of humanity many of the jurisdictions find willing, loyal and helpful aid in the Order of the Eastern Star; grand masters and members no longer look down upon "female masonry," but accept the offerings of these mothers, wives, sisters and daughters of masons with unstinted expressions of appreciation.

Illinois for 1910

Gets liberal notice, though much of this space is taken up with two poems, one from the grand orator and the other from the obituary committee. He says that "Grand Master Ashley's address is of the usual splendid kind delivered by Illinois grand masters."

Brother Hepner approves the law regarding non-affiliates and says it is "exactly similar" to that in Montana.

This writer regrets that he did not please our brother from the west. Referring to report on correspondence he says—"We don't like headings like 'Stingy to the Dead' and some of the others; too much 'likee' yellow journalism." He then ventures the following kindly prediction.

> As Brother Scott becomes used to his job his tone will mellow somewhat, as he seems to have great ability as a writer of reviews; we look forward with anticipatory pleasure in reading such reports in the future.

Inasmuch as the report written by Brother Scott was for the masons of Illinois and not for other reviewers, he is not seriously disturbed by the charge of "yellowism."

Grand master, Wm. M. Montgomery, Anaconda; grand secretary, Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena.

NEVADA—1912.

25 Lodges. 48th Annual. 1,771 Members.

One of the small but good grand lodges is that of the metal state. A gain of seventy-five shows some advance and, in proportion to population, ranks with many of the larger jurisdictions. The annual session was held at Reno, June 11, 1912. Two specials are reported. One at Yerington was to lay the corner-stone of the court house. The other was at Reno to place the stone of the new high school building.

By a little mix-up by the binder, a few pages of the correspondence report were injected into the place where the grand master's address should have begun. This so mutilated the grand master's report that it is not possible to get a good start with it.

Under dispensations, Grand Master Davis says that he refused permission to Ely lodge to re-ballot on the petitions of eighteen rejected candidates. Ely will surely "get there" if persistence counts for anything. Very properly the grand master holds that "Applicants should not again petition until one year after they are rejected. If they are poor material that is too soon. If they are good men and love masonry as they should to become good masons, they will wait and they will appreciate the honors all the more when they receive them." He further adds that "the granting of dispensations becomes a dangerous habit and tends to hurry and cheapen masonry and lessen the regard of the craft for our laws."

These are wise words and are commended to some big grand lodges, afflicted with a diarrhoea of dispensations.

Payment of Dues Should be Enforced.

The grand master believes in enforcing the law. In a letter to lodges he says—

It is my order that you require your secretary forthwith to send delinquent notices to all members over twelve months in arrears for dues.

Thirty days from date of such notices you will report results to me, together with the names of all members still in arrears.

This is a business way of getting members to do their duty.

On documentary evidence, Brother Davis says—

No committee should proceed to examine a visitor for admission until he produces documentary evidence or vouchers that he is in good standing at the time of making his visit. The committee can then refer to its

list of regular lodges and ascertain if the lodge issuing the certificate is a regular lodge. I would insist that in no case is the documentary evidence to be given more than its face value. Every visitor must take the test oath and undergo an examination at the hands of a committee appointed for that purpose by the master.

This is pretty close to the last word in examining visitors. It is safe and sound.

No Use for Shirkers.

The grand master has ideas regarding chronic non-affiliates and expresses himself thus—

Like the poor, the non-affiliate is always with us. The foremost at banquets, and the first to let you know that he is a mason when it is to his benefit. Some are loaded down with so-called masonic jewelry, and show by the tenor of their lives that the principles of masonry were forgotten by them at about the time they commenced to evade the payment of dues.

He then urges all resident masons to affiliate with Nevada lodges instead of remaining members in other states far away.

Two years before a "standard work" was adopted that there might be uniformity. There was an exception made in favor of one lodge. The grand master insists that this lodge be required to conform to the work required of all others.

That all members should be compelled to bear equally the financial load of the lodge is so just that it can scarcely be questioned. On this the grand master well says that—

Any by-law which divides members of a lodge into classes and exempts one class from paying the same dues as another is unjust and illegal. Every member of a lodge must pay dues while financially able to do so, no matter what his age. A lodge may remit dues to worthy and deserving members who are financially unable to pay, but each case must be considered individually, and upon its merits.

Charles E. Mack, representative of Illinois, is recorded as present.

Masonic Emblems Permitted Now.

The grand secretary prints a letter from Senator Nixon regarding masonic emblems in National Cemeteries. The war department gave orders prohibiting their use. An extract from the letter of Senator Nixon is as follows:

I have the pleasure to inform you that on March 21 I made a formal request of the Secretary of War to permit me to have a monument erected in the National Cemetery at Arlington, and to have engraved upon it the insignia of a past grand master of masons as also that of the Loyal Legion and the Sons of the American Revolution. I was unable to personally follow my petition through the department, but on

the 10th of April the secretary of war wrote me a most courteous letter, freely granting the request I had made. This, as you will understand, and I trust you will announce to your readers, annuls the printed order prohibiting insignia of secret societies, so far as freemasonry is concerned.

This is gratifying to the fraternity and Senator Nixon's efforts will be appreciated by the craft all over the country.

In the "estimates for 1913" expenses appears the following item:

"Dues of life members, $25.00." Why should live members tax themselves to carry dead ones?

Home Rule on Liquor Question.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That this grand lodge recommends to its constituent lodges that no petition for the degrees, nor application for affiliation shall, in future, be received from any person engaging in the business of selling intoxicating liquor or liquors as a beverage, nor shall any member in this jurisdiction, not so engaged at the present time, be permitted to engage in such business under penalty of expulsion.

The grand master recommended that lodges be prohibited from receiving liquor dealers. This the grand lodge did not adopt. The lodges were given home rule on this question with a unanimous recommendation to keep them out.

The Report on Correspondence

Is again by E. D. Vanderlieth, "Commissioner of Review," and grand secretary. This report is given some length, requiring 261 pages. The remainder of the proceedings requires 141 pages. Nevada is quite liberal in recognizing other grand lodges. Eight, that Illinois does not regard as regular, are on speaking terms with the mountain state jurisdiction. These are Belgium, Chili, Germany (which one?), Porto Rico, South Africa, West, Sweden, and York-Mexico. Most of these are rankly clandestine. Most of the essential qualifications for recognition are wanting in them.

Illinois for 1911 is reviewed. He says that—

Our big sister has sent her shrimp-pink gown to the laun—, old clothes bag, and appears clad in blue, true masonic blue. It becomes her. She's as pretty as any spring maid, that is, any of the plump ones.

The frontispage is a poorly executed portrait of Grand Master Albert B. Ashley. He looks a plain, sensible man, and from what we know of him, a noble mason.

The reviewer says that "Illinois is having trouble over proxy representation in grand lodge communications." No trouble at all. Grand Master ASHLEY merely saw a way to improve the law and suggested it.

"Masonry and Religion" is quoted in full with hearty approval and added arguments in the same strain. The oration by Brother WILSON is described as "a truly learned and eloquent address." Liberal quotation follows. Grand Master DARRAH'S inaugural address is given in full.

BROTHER VANDERLIETH PEEVED.

Brother VANDERLIETH compliments the report on correspondence but takes exception to the reference to Reno as the "Mecca of divorces and prize fighters." No offense was intended. The fact that Reno is the resort for matrimonial misfits shows that the laws of Nevada permit what is denied by law elsewhere. That Chicago is corrupt and wicked is not denied. It was once the mecca for those who would be free from wedded woe. The state of Illinois, however, made divorce laws that send the rich and vicious to Nevada for their divorces. No prize fights are held in Illinois under the sanction and protection of the law. If held they are as much in violation of law as the stealing of a horse. In Reno it is legal. Truly, this indicates "a low standard of morals." In Illinois a residence of one year is essential in applying for a divorce. The divorced are required to wait one year after the law gives them freedom from the marriage contract before they can re-marry. The good brother of Nevada is assured that no offense was meant. The 1,771 masons of that commonwealth no doubt regret the condition of the laws more than any one else, and are laboring to remove the stain on their state's good name.

Brother VANDERLIETH is in error in saying that "Brother SCOTT likes not the title 'Grand Commissioner of Review.'" He does like it better than correspondent, but merely and mildly suggested that an easier and more accurate name would be grand reviewer.

The signature of Brother VANDERLIETH is still one of the modern wonders of the world. The wonder is that he can write it that way twice. He says that he aimed at a picture of the Eiffel tower. Seriously, it is a most striking signature. That is all that was meant.

Grand master, HENRY W. MILES, Reno; grand secretary, E. D. VANDERLIETH, Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK—1911.

39 Lodges. 44th Annual. 3,044 Members.

The grand lodge held its 1911 meeting at St. John, August 22 and 23. A very neat volume of proceedings of about ninety pages reached the Illinois reviewer April 20, 1912. A gain of one lodge and 119 in membership shows progress. In addition to the annual, report is made of a special held June 25, 1911, to celebrate the festival of St. John the Baptist. Very properly this was at St. John.

The Illinois representative was absent.

The Grand Master

Bro. Henry S. Bridges, presented a very good report. After noting harmony and growth in membership he adds the following very sensible comment.

But, my brethren, it is well to remember that it is not the number of those who wear the lamb skin that has given to our fraternity the proud position that it has always held in the world's estimation, but rather the internal qualifications and exemplary conduct of each individual mason. No anxiety therefore to increase the membership of our lodge should ever lead us to permit those to join our ranks who do not maintain that high moral standing which should always characterize good masons. If we wish to preserve the high standing of our noble fraternity, we must never lose sight of that well known maxim, "Guard well the outer door."

The death of P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, is noted.

Rejoices Over Peace Treaty.

One other paragraph is of interest. He says—

In August, 1911, not many weeks after the coronation of the king there was signed at Washington a general treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States of America. As members of an order that professes to be actuated by the noblest principles and animated by the spirit of brotherly love, we must surely welcome the ratification of such an important agreement between the great mother land and her earliest offspring, and earnestly pray that the other nations of the earth may be influenced by the noble examples set before them to do likewise, thus ushering in the time of universal peace so vividly pictured by Tennyson:

"When the war-drum throbb'd no longer, and the battle-flags were furled,
In the parliament of man, the federation of the world."

It seems too bad that, through scheming of politicians, this excellent anti-war measure should have been emasculated in the United States senate.

Evidently Grand Master BRIDGES is the right man in the right place. He was elected and installed for his third term.

No report on correspondence appears in the proceedings.

Grand master, HENRY S. BRIDGES, St. John; grand secretary, J. TWINING HARTT, St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—1912.

79 LODGES. 123RD ANNUAL. 10,480 MEMBERS.

New Hampshire splits the year in two by holding a semi-annual meeting. The annual was held at Concord, May 15, 1912. Though the record shows a loss of one lodge, yet there is a gain of 122 in membership.

Granite state masonry bristles with age. St. John's Lodge No. 1, at Portsmouth, celebrated its 175th anniversary. The grand lodge met June 22, 1911, to commemorate this venerable lodge's birth.

Following on a month later, the grand lodge held a second special to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Humane Lodge No. 21, at Rochester, and to dedicate a new temple.

One other special is recorded. This was at Orford to dedicate the hall of Mt. Cabe Lodge No. 10.

Illinois was well represented by Bro. SEWALL W. ABBOTT.

At the semi-annual meeting the thought of the work of conferring degrees is uppermost. Each degree was given as a means of teaching representatives of lodges how it should be done.

A full-page group picture showing the first five officers of the grand lodge precedes the record of the annual.

ONLY A MASON.

In his address the grand master alludes to the fact—that, 20 years before, he was initiated in the lodge within whose hall they were then

assembled. He says that it was "the first and only secret organization I have seen fit to join." He then adds—

To me this is a hallowed spot, the most sacred of my masonic faith. Within these walls I have learned and endeavored to teach others the beauties of the cardinal virtues—temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice; learned and taught the lessons of antiquity and historical events that are a part of our belief; here received, and I hope have given, that lasting impression that prevents laxity of duty, violation of vow or betrayal of trust on the part of any brother of our order.

Objection Rejects.

The grand master made few decisions. In a case objection was made privately to the master after a candidate had been elected and then objection was withdrawn. He held that "the withdrawal of the objections cannot be considered any more than the withdrawal of a negative ballot cast in open lodge. The petitioner stands rejected." This is very different from the law in Illinois. Here, where a brother lodges an objection with the master it bars the candidate from initiation for one year. Unless renewed, he proceeds as though no objection had been made. The grand master reported that he had removed two representatives of other grand lodges for non-attendance. There is a sentiment growing up that those who accept appointments to represent other grand lodges should show some interest or get out of the way. There is much room to improve the efficiency of these connecting links between grand jurisdictions.

The Masonic Home

In the estimation of Grand Master Wiggin is the very heart of masonry. He says that—

There is no topic of this address that has been undertaken, or subject that I have dealt with as grand master, that awakens within me a desire to be better, do better, or cultivate more liberal benevolence and dispense greater charity than the inspiring influence of our Masonic Home. I wish that greater force and eloquence of speech might be mine to place before you today, in convincing and persuasive language, what I think we, as brethren of the masonic fraternity, should do to promote, sustain, and enlarge the scope of usefulness and benefits that are possible in this institution.

The report of the board of trustees shows that "Masonic Home" was incorporated August 7, 1883. It provides for destitute masons and their wives, if over 65 years of age and they "have been married to and lived with their husbands at least ten years, next prior to the admission of said husbands to the Home." This cuts out those who would marry just to get into the Home. Widows and orphans of masons are also given shelter. The active interest of the Eastern Star is gratefully ac-

knowledged. The physicians take it turn about and each serves the Home three months each year free of charge. The board highly commends their valuable services.

Fake Rituals.

A strenuous pronouncement against "printed rituals" was sent out by the grand master. This evil has been constantly fought since 1866 but the snake has never been killed only scotched. Possibly the difficulty is caused by the following statement—

"Each lodge should provide and maintain in correct form a proper ritual for the use of its officers." From this it is inferred that there is in each lodge "in correct form a proper ritual" either written or printed.

So long as this is so, there can be no hope of eradicating the spurious ritual. There is only one place for the masonic work and that is in the heads and hearts of the brethren. If it be written or printed there is a certainty of its leaking. A banquet for the entire grand lodge was served at the noon hour of the day of the annual meeting.

Fraternal recognition was given to Porto Rico on recommendation of the committee on jurisprudence.

Brother Cheney Reviews

Proceedings of grand lodges in his sixth report. He says it has been literally worth while to me. No one can, year after year, read the published proceedings of the masonic world and escape growth in masonic knowledge and enthusiasm." Much is crowded into 168 pages. Illinois attracts so little attention that one and a half pages suffice for the review. Our brother thinks it a strange coincidence that there were precisely the same number of "inmates" in our two Homes. If our good brother will remember that our aged and our children are not "inmates" but members of our Home families all else will be forgiven.

Dislikes Our Decision.

In referring to the discipline of a lodge in Illinois and the deposing of its master because of wilful violation of the law relating to physical qualification, Brother Cheney dissents. He says that—

Sometimes we make note of things done elsewhere, because we like them; sometimes we make note of things done elsewhere, because we dislike them. To be perfectly frank, this case comes in the latter class.

The physical defect in this case was apparently not great. If, however, the brother will read the Illinois law and remember what is re-

quired of a candidate, he cannot escape the conclusion that the action taken was wholly justified. His dislike does not change the situation in the least.

Brother CHENEY likes the sub-heads in the Illinois reviews and says that—

Each proceeding reviewed is provided with distinctive sub-heads making it easy to find whatever may be sought.

ABOUT MEXICO.

In reviewing the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico" the reviewer says—

In the whole republic of Mexico, consisting of thirty-one states and territories, there are masonic lodges, of any kind or description, good, bad and indifferent, in only sixteen. There are grand lodges in the states of Vera Cruz, Coahuila, Chihuahua, Oaxaca, Nuevo Leon and the Federal District, whose ritualistic work is all adapted from French work, printed in Spanish, and can be purchased at twenty-five cents a copy, not cipher but verbatim, words, signs and all, but as this is not any more our kind of masonry than is the work of the Odd Fellows, such masons could not pass our examination.

"Proceedings of the New Hampshire Society of Veteran Freemasons" finds a proper place in the grand lodge records as published.

Grand master, CHARLES H. WIGGIN, Concord; grand secretary, HARRY M. CHENEY, Concord.

NEW JERSEY—1912.

192 LODGES. 125TH ANNUAL. 34,855 MEMBERS.

A century and a quarter is a good long time for a fraternal body to live and serve. Yet, after this long stretch of time, New Jersey seems to have all the vigor and enthusiasm of youth in carrying forward the work of freemasonry. The 125th annual meeting took place at Trenton, April 17 and 18, 1912.

Seven "emergent communications" were held during the year.

The fine face of P.G.M. LESLIE A. BURRITT is a pleasant greeting in opening the volume of proceedings. Illinois was unrepresented. Ten past grand masters were present. The grand master's annual report was a brief and pointed document.

Mexican Masonry Too Unstable.

He presents the following very sensible conclusions regarding matters in the Mexican republic. He says that—

It would appear that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, with which fraternal recognition and exchange of representatives was effected by us, has perhaps permanently disintegrated, and the former parts have nominally established themselves as separate grand bodies, each literally destitute of territorial sovereignty and lacking other evidences of stability or durability.

It has long been held by this grand jurisdiction that but one grand lodge can exist in a distinct geographical territory, and while the conditions now existing in the republic of Mexico continue, it would seem prudent to await developments before taking any action involving recognition of a so-called "grand lodge" possessed of not one qualifying condition, under the precedents so long held by this grand lodge, as being essential to a governing body of masonry.

A "notable event" is given in the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of St. John's Lodge No. 1, of Newark. Truly here is a veteran among lodges.

Efforts to organize a lodge to work in the Italian language have so far failed. There appears little need of lodges in America working in any language other than English. Usually men learn to speak and understand the language of this country very soon after they are residents. The grand master refuses to sanction this Italian lodge until there is a certainty of accuracy in the work.

Only two decisions are reported and these of minor importance outside of New Jersey.

Plenty of Cripples.

The grand master reports ninety-seven applications for dispensation involving "visible physical defects." Permission to receive was given in sixty-two cases, refused in twenty-nine and six are pending. Illinois makes each lodge the judge and holds it to a strict account for its actions.

Grand Master Burritt says that "One day of seven has been devoted to executive matters, entailing a weekly journey of over 1,250 miles, or more than 62,000 miles during the year." Pretty strenuous job for him. Evidently, he is away all the time, except the one day. He says he could do nothing but attend to the executive duties of his office. All social and fraternal functions were crowded out.

The great Titanic disaster at sea had one Jersey mason as a victim—W. Bro. William A. Walker, master of Hope lodge.

A delegation of distinguished Delaware craftsmen were duly received. Grand Master Moore with almost every other grand officer of Delaware made a delightful visit.

The Masonic Home

Is in a flourishing condition with a membership of eighty-six. The grand master announces eight ladies "as a committee to have oversight of the domestic affairs of the Home." This action is out of the ordinary. There may be a suggestion in this worthy of consideration in other grand lodges. The influence of woman in the home is quite important. She can see and know things in sanitation and in the internal management that man's duller eyes cannot discover. The question of building a temple for the annual meetings of the grand lodge was submitted to the lodges with this result. Responses were received from 134, of these 25 favored and 109 opposed the scheme. Fifty did not respond and were counted against it.

The Annual Review

Of proceedings in the English language is written again by Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs. The translation and review of eight German grand bodies were made by Bro. Adolph Klee. The reviews are usually brief and the entire work occupies 172 pages. Of these Illinois receives brief attention in less than two. There is almost nothing regarding our grand lodge, except a mere narration of the things done. He notes the succession of M.W. Bro. Alex. T. Darrah by his son, Delmar D. Darrah, twenty-six years afterward. The only reference to the Illinois review for last year is the following unique statement. He says that—

"The sententious style is convincing at the pen-point of a qualified writer."

Brother Klee's review of the German bodies is fraught with valuable information concerning the working of these organizations.

Eight form the "Deutscher Grosslogen-Bund," or union of grand lodges of Germany. The fundamentals of many of these bodies are not in accordance with masonic usage in most of the grand lodges of America. Hence, few of them are in correspondence or fraternal relation with them. As noted in the review of Michigan, there is great indifference on the part of these German bodies as to their relation to English speaking grand lodges. Brother Klee has put the masons of this country under obligation to him in bringing the information concerning German masonry into the language which prevails.

Grand master, Richard C. Woodward, Trenton; grand secretary, Benj. F. Wakefield, Trenton.

NEW MEXICO—1911.

37 Lodges. 34th Annual. 2,799 Members.

The volume of proceedings of the new state presents a very handsome appearance in its gown of symbolic blue. Though it has a rather small membership in all respects masonry appears to be in excellent hands in New Mexico. A gain of 208 members shows a very satisfactory percentage of increase. The annual meeting was held at Albuquerque, October 16-18, 1911, the week following the meeting of the grand lodge in Illinois. The sessions lasted three whole days, including one evening session. In this state with over 100,000 members and more than 800 lodges, the business was transacted in three sessions. With but thirty-seven lodges and less than 3,000 members it took our far-away brethren seven distinct sessions to conclude their business.

In their roster there appear as present twenty of their past grand masters out of a total of twenty-two who are living. Surely, the men who are honored in that state do not forsake the grand lodge as soon as their terms of office expire.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a careful setting forth of the business of the year with little attempt at display of oratory or rhetoric.

The death of our own past grand master, John C. Smith, is given appropriate mention.

The grand master refused to give a dispensation for a lodge to install its officers one week in advance of the time fixed in the by-laws. The reason given was that the officers-elect could not be present on the night of the stated meeting.

The grand master held that a lodge could not allow the Eastern Star to meet in the lodge room without paying for the privilege, any more than it could give free use to the Odd Fellows or any other society. The reason given was that the lodge room could only be let to another society to increase the lodge funds. The Eastern Star, though composed of masons and the ladies of their households, were to be put on exactly the same basis as any other fraternal society.

Few Decisions.

Grand Master Medler did not meddle very much with the statute law of the grand lodge by constructions of his own. Too many grand masters legislate under the guise of decisions.

The position was taken that when a dimit is granted, either by vote of the lodge or the order of the master, the membership is severed at once. The brother being present cannot vote upon any question after his dimit has been granted. This is pretty sudden but it was what he asked for. His membership has terminated and he is as much a non-affiliate as he ever will be.

The grand master announced this choice bit of wisdom in deciding that the conferring of the past master's degree in some other body does not comply with the law. He says that—"The symbolic lodge does not recognize any degrees but the entered apprentice, fellow craft and master mason."

In one other decision the grand master holds that a lodge could not vote to allow the officers to hold over another year without being installed. He said it was contrary to the spirit and intent of the by-laws, giving each member the right to vote for each officer by ballot.

Texas Neither Borrows nor Lends.

The grand master deprecated the fact that Texas would neither confer degrees for lodges of other states nor permit the lodges in that state to ask the work to be done for them by others. Evidently the Lone Star grand lodge does not believe in reciprocity.

Masonic Home.

A fund of almost $12,000 has been provided for the construction of a home for masonic dependents. The offer of a most desirable site for the home was not accepted because there did not appear any present need for the establishment of such an institution. The offer was postponed and a new home committee appointed. With so small a membership the burden of maintaining a home would be great. Yet, the brethren evidently are willing to tax themselves to care for their needy ones.

An evening session was held that all might listen to the oration by Bro. Joseph A. Miller, the grand orator. This was a finished production, full of good things in building up esoteric truth in the minds of the craft.

The committee on grievances found themselves without occupation as there were no adjustments to be made. The committee on grand master's address, while approving dispensations issued by the grand master to allow more than five candidates to receive the several degrees at one meeting, advised strenuously against the practice. It was conceded that the old regulations gave the power, yet it was thought that the exercise of it was most questionable.

A resolution was adopted calling on the committee on correspondence to report the reason why the grand lodge is not in fraternal relation with France and what grand jurisdictions are. Brother WROTH will no doubt find it an easy task to comply with this resolution.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Is the work of P.G.M. JAMES H. WROTH. This is but one way to say that it is well done. His review covers over 200 pages and is full of intelligent criticisms and comments. Quoting the new Illinois law regarding documentary evidence, Brother WROTH says "We fail to understand why Illinois must have legislation in order to make the test oath a prerequisite of examination." This distinguished correspondent is doubtless familiar with the rules of construction. He will recall that when requirements are given in detail that the omission of one excludes it. Hence, when the law was made requiring either avouchment, or strict trial and due examination, accompanied by documentary proofs of good standing, it was thought, as a measure of caution, that the essential test oath should be named.

UNDER INDICTMENT.

The New Mexico correspondent puts the writer of this review under indictment. The first count is that "running all through his views the effect of his association with the late Brother ROBBINS" is discernible. To this a cheerful plea of "guilty" is entered. The present Illinois correspondent esteems it, not only a privilege but an honor, to confess that he learned much of the genius of masonry at the feet of the Gamaliel of Illinois craftsmen, the masonic giant, JOSEPH ROBBINS. No man knew more of the fundamentals of the great fraternity of freemasons than did our late brother. On this account the craft in Illinois has felt itself on the side of safety in following the lead of ROBBINS in the requirements for recognition of other grand bodies. For this reason, Mexican masonry (?) has been regarded as a good thing to let alone. Since the decisive and final action taken by the grand lodge of Illinois in adopting the report written by Brother ROBBINS, just prior to his departure, nothing has occurred in Mexican affairs, either civic or masonic, to change the attitude then taken.

Brother WROTH quotes from comments made in reviewing Oklahoma, Missouri and Wisconsin, and takes exception to the manner in which the subject was treated in the Illinois report on correspondence for 1910. This is to be regretted, but, with the possible exception of being a little hazy about the geographical extent of Valle de Mexico's claims of sovereignty, no new light is seen.

How Lodge Funds May be Used.

In regard to the disposition of lodge funds Brother Wroth says—"We would like the brother (Owen Scott) to quote his authority that the collection of money must be for the purpose of benevolence and charity *only*." The statement which the brother prints and criticizes is as follows:

A masonic lodge collects money for purposes of benevolence and charity only. It should have no commercial or sectarian affiliations. When it helps to boom a town by contributing its funds to establish a factory, or to maintain a church, it takes money paid for the express and only purpose of sustaining masonry and caring for the needy brother and his dependents. When appeals for aid come, the lodge treasury, depleted by contributions to outside and foreign objects may not be able to respond.

The specific authority for this was a decision of the grand master of Illinois, M.W. Bro. Alex. H. Bell, rendered in 1908 and approved by the grand lodge. On this decision the paragraph above quoted was written. Regardless of specific authority it is freely ventured that Brother Wroth cannot gainsay the soundness of the position that all money collected is for the "only purpose of sustaining masonry and caring for the needy brother and his dependents."

A Bad Conclusion.

In his conclusion Brother Wroth discusses with much learning and ability the groundwork of masonic recognition. With most of this it is a pleasure to be in accord. Here is one attitude, however, calling for dissent. The New Mexico reviewer says—

As to the matter of visitation of members from unrecognized grand lodges, there is the same difference of opinion, some holding that non-recognition implies thereby non-visitation, and other, that non-recognition does not necessarily mean non-intercourse, the latter being New Mexico's view.

If a grand lodge is so masonically unsound as to preclude recognition by regular bodies of masons, how can its children be regarded as legitimate? Certainly it is illogical to hold them anything but clandestine. Non-recognition can only mean non-visitation. Brother Wroth's reasoning regarding symbolic masonry, supreme councils, etc., is so much sounder than his conclusions that, in the interest of the regular and legitimate in masonry, it is to be regretted that he concluded.

Grand master, William B. Walton, Silver City; grand secretary, Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque.

NEW YORK—1912.

808 Lodges. 131st Annual. 173,713 Members.

With almost exactly the same number of lodges, New York exceeds Illinois in its total membership more than 60,000. This is no doubt because the Empire state is more densely populated than the Prairie state. In the more sparsely settled sections of Illinois the membership of lodges is small. New York shows a net gain of 4,999. Too bad it could not have just one more to reach the 5,000. The annual meeting was held in New York City May 7, 8 and 9, 1912. The Illinois representative, Delbert Greene, was recorded as present.

Seventy-five Percent Inactive.

Grand Master Kenworthy, in his annual address, calls attention to the large part of the masonic fraternity which is "inactive." He says that—

It seems to me we ought to reach out in earnest for that seventy-five percent inactive part of our membership. Among them are numerous influential, worth-while men. The roster of the craft will disclose the names of many prominent in all walks of life, who have attained honor and distinction in their respective callings; men who delight in association with their fellow-citizens and are sought on every notable public occasion; yet the craft leaves them alone, to drift from its influence—and so the prestige of many a strong personality is lost to us. In the face of such conditions can we honestly claim our fraternity is "progressing" numerically?

This distinguished craftsman is on the wrong trail. If he desires "to tree the coon," he can never do it with "influential, worth-while men." Growth in masonry will not come from parading great names, or pointing with pride to the membership of senators, kings or presidents. One well-managed Home for the care and comfort of needy men and the rearing and training of masonic orphans will do more than all your big men who retain membership in a lodge because it is respectable to do so. Meet the mission of masonry and growth will take care of itself.

Would Compete with Others.

Grand Master Kenworthy further outlines his plan by saying that—

Other organizations, reaching out to attract men, offer various inducements; advantages of a more or less benevolent nature; and far-reaching influences are likewise exerted to assist their membership in divers ways. These organizations today seem alive with energy and activity in marked contrast to our own lack of enterprise in this respect.

All of these organizations together do not possess a modicum of the prestige which is masonry's as a world-wide institution, nor do they possess its underlying worth; yet men seem to give them largely of their time. Why? Is the social outlet which they crave to be found there? Do they meet there that enlivening good-fellowship which men seek after a busy day?

Source of Masonry's Power.

Masonry's world-wide power and influence is because the old institution only accepts men who come unsolicited and of their "own free will and accord." Offering "inducements" is not masonic. Notwithstanding masonry stands in a quiet and dignified attitude, requiring a unanimous ballot, yet, its membership is greater than any other organization, "reaching out to attract men," and which "offers various inducements, advantages of a more or less benevolent nature," etc.

Masonry's reserve is its distinction and the New York grand master is skating on pretty thin ice when he advocates breaking it down.

The dedication of the "Daniel D. Thompkins memorial chapel" at the Home at Utica, June 25, 1911, appears to have been the great event of the year. It required over twenty pages to record the ceremonies.

The report of the grand secretary shows that every one of the 808 lodges had made return and paid its grand lodge dues to date. Illinois has had the same distinction for years. This indicates efficiency and vigilance on the part of grand secretaries.

Organized Relief.

The masonic board of relief makes a good showing in caring for unfortunate strangers in the great metropolis. Two girls, aged 10 and 12, stranded in New York, because their father who accompanied them became mentally deranged, were cared for. The relief board finally sent the children to Atlanta, Ga., with the secretary's daughter as an escort. The children were delivered to their grandfather. Though the lodge was in communication in caring for the little girls—yet, the relief board has not even had notice of their safe arrival. No reimbursement has been made, though the lodge made voluntary offer to repay all expenses. Ordinary courtesy is quite essential among masons as well as elsewhere in the affairs of the world.

New York has a German Masonic Temple Association and this has created a German Masonic Home Fund for the support of the home at Tappan.

Should not Publish Names.

In its report the "commission on appeals" gives all cases of discipline with the full names of accused in each instance. Illinois for years has omitted from the published proceedings names of brethren suspended, expelled or otherwise punished. This is certainly wiser than to publish them to the world.

The experiment of a masonic employment bureau in New York City has been tried for one year. Apparently it has been successful in coupling needy brothers to useful occupations. The committee reports having found positions for 104 applicants. These were placed in all kinds of useful occupations, bookkeepers and "porters and general utility" leading. There were 465 applicants. The age at which the largest number of persons applied was from 36 to 45. There were 132 of these. One was 77 years old. He should have asked for the job of living at the masonic home. Of the $1,200 appropriated for this purpose $1,170 were used.

Again the dove of peace and harmony hovered over this, the greatest grand lodge in the world. All officers were elected "by acclamation." No rivalry, no discord can be gleaned from the printed proceedings.

New York is prolific in appointive grand officers. They have 12 grand chaplains, 8 grand sword bearers, 8 grand stewards and 8 grand directors of ceremonies. Other officers not in our list are a judge advocate, a grand librarian and a grand historian. What they can do with so many chaplains, it is hard to see. They, of the old Empire state, cannot be in need of so much divine ministration as the number would indicate. Here in Illinois, one grand chaplain is able to lead and keep in the straight and narrow way the representatives of the more than 110,000 masons.

The roll of past grand masters from the date of organization in 1781 bears some great names. Robert R. Livingston served from 1784 to 1800; DeWitt Clinton from 1806 to 1819, and Daniel D. Thompkins for 1820 and 1821.

The Annual Review

Is presented by Townsend Scudder, Emil Frenkel and Emanuel Loewenstein, committee on foreign correspondence. A very complete review is given of all German and other grand bodies whose proceedings are printed in languages other than English. Bro. Emil Frenkel makes the review and translations. The committee modestly refrains from obtruding "its views and opinions on others."

Here is a significant paragraph in which all can heartily concur—

Our great fraternity forms a vast chain which encircles the globe, and when we consider the number, the standing, the wealth of this great army of over two millions, men of education and all above the average citizen in their several communities, we stand amazed at the enormous potentiality of our great fraternity and look forward to a possible use of all this power for the good of the world and especially for the good and benefit of this, our own glorious country. What a bulwark against disorder, lawlessness and crime, and what fortress to protect life, property and secure happiness to all our orderly fellow citizens, for this army of good and true, has but one object, one aim: To reverence the Great Jehovah, and help, aid, and assist the poor, the needy and distressed.

"The A. and A. Rite of Italy" extended an invitation to participate in a masonic meeting which was held at Rome, September 19-22 last. This was to be of an international character.

The invitation was declined for these reasons—

First, because all sorts of alleged masonic bodies participate at these meetings, and the second is obvious, we do not exchange representatives with supreme councils of the Scottish rite.

Illinois for 1911

Received a trifle over one page. This consisted of a paragraph—narrative of the doings of our grand lodge and two brief quotations from Grand Master Ashley's annual. "Masonry and religion" was given in full with implied approval. There were but few expressions of opinion. One was that the book of proceedings of our grand lodge "is an interesting one and is well arranged." Further comment is that—

The correspondence is written by Past Grand Master Owen Scott and is an excellent production; especially fine is his index of subjects alphabetically arranged; this is very helpful and should induce the brethren in Illinois to read the report. New York is courteously reviewed on five pages, speaks well (fairly well) of our report, but thinks we should criticise more, and express our individual opinion about the doings of other grand lodges.

Brethren of New York and other states would be profited by the views and comments of such able writers as prepare these reports. From a feeling of loss and not from any desire to be impertinent are these suggestions made. Though Illinois is not in official touch with the German, Scandinavian and other European grand bodies the reviews presented by New York give much valuable information concerning the work done.

Grand master, Charles Smith, Oneonta; grand secretary, Edward M. L. Ehlers, New York City.

NEW ZEALAND—1911.

183 Lodges. 22nd Annual. 11,558 Members.

At Christchurch, May 10 and 11, 1911, this far off Pacific island grand lodge of the Australasian group held its annual communication. Proceedings reached this reviewer November 17, 1911, six months after the session. The volume at hand contains all the adornments of the printers' and binders' arts. Full-form pictures of grand officers are scattered liberally through the pages of the book. Grand Master Griffiths appears in full dress suit with the regular British masonic collar, gauntlets and gloves, an apron with all the masonic emblems easily discoverable and an array of badges sufficient to make Sousa, Gilmore or any other band master green with envy. However, the whole effect is pleasing and highly ornamental, even if indicating little of the true democracy of masonry.

Better Than British.

The reviewer finds much relief in going over this book rather than the series of pamphlets, with acres of names and tons of figures but meager in the record of the doings of the grand body, usually sent out by British grand lodges.

The spectacular is still found in the formal entry of the grand officers in a body.

The reports show nearly £5,000 or $25,000 in "the fund of benevolence" and £15,000 or $75,000 in the "widows' and orphans' and aged masons' fund." There is little fear of the ability of the New Zealand brethren to care adequately for all their needy and dependent. The distribution of their benevolence is made in the form of annuities. The annual charge of annuitants reported is £566 or $2,830.

Lodges Nominate Grand Officers.

A peculiar system prevails in the election of a grand master and other officers. Nominations are made by lodges and members of the grand lodge. These are reported during the annual meeting and the choice is made from the list of nominations prepared by the grand secretary.

Two nominations were made for grand master. Grand Master Griffiths had so many lodges and brethren behind him that his competitor made a virtue of necessity and moved his election. The motion pre-

vailed by a unanimous vote. Nine pages of the proceedings were filled with the nominations for the various other offices. These were distributed into nine districts from the various parts of the island. At length the full corps of officers was elected.

Their Patron Saint.

King Edward had been chosen as the "grand patron" of New Zealand masons. At his death the Duke of Connaught, grand master of England, was chosen as the guardian angel of the craft. Report is made of the appointment of Bro. William O. Butler as the representative of New Zealand to the grand lodge of Illinois. The lodges were advised to present to each candidate for masonry a copy of the Sacred Writings as a memento of the vows taken. The suggestion came from the grand lodge of South Australia. The change is recommended for hygienic reasons.

What is a Masonic "Lewis?"

Brethren of Illinois, do you know what a "Lewis" is? Here is light—

Many lodges and brethren appear to assume that the son of a master mason is *of right* entitled to be initiated at the age of 18 years, and, acting upon that assumption, it has happened that a master mason not twelve months in the craft has had his son proposed for admission at the age of 18. It is contended by some authorities that the qualification for a "Lewis" is that he must have been born the son of a master mason, but, without going so far as that, the board is of opinion that due discrimination should be exercised. The design and nature of our institution require that none shall be admitted to its privileges until they have reached the age of maturity and discretion, each case, therefore, should be considered on its merits before the grand master is advised to grant the necessary dispensation.

Birth or station brings no masonic right or privilege to any one. In this state, the fact that a young man is the son of a mason, does not give him release from the requirement of attaining his legal majority. He must abide the ballot the same as the son of a profane. An attempt to "Lewis" a young man in Illinois would certainly fail. Some excellent master masons have some very mean and disreputable sons. "The internal and not the external" makes the standard where true masonry is taught and lived.

Seems Justifiable.

A past rank was conferred that seems justifiable. Two brethren had filled the position as grand organist at a time when they were ineligible for the place. When they were qualified they were given the rank for the service they had rendered.

In the report of the New Zealand grand lodge there is printed a summary of the speeches made in the discussions of all the various questions under consideration. Many pages are filled in this way. This is very unusual if not quite unique. Generally the discussers are allowed to discuss, but no attempt is made to can their words, for often they would be musty and stale when the cans are opened.

Automatic Suspension.

A plan was adopted providing for automatic suspension for non-payment of dues. After a fixed time of arrears and the giving of the notice required, a brother is suspended by operation of the law without action by his lodge.

Here again, according to the British custom, the grand master appoints the deputy grand master. After his installation for a second term Grand Master Griffiths made a brief and forceful address. He reports that there are a considerable number of lodges yet in allegiance to British grand bodies. There are 40 English, 4 Irish and 12 Scotch. It seems strange that after more than 21 years of independent existence the foreign sway should be allowed to continue. England, Ireland and Scotland should get out of New Zealand and let there be a united craft in that grand jurisdiction. Bro. Murdock McLean was present to represent Illinois.

The Review of Grand Lodges

Was again presented by P.G.M. Alfred H. Burton, it being his second offense. In his "foreword" he says that "I wish to put on record—with all fitting modesty—how much I have been delighted and impressed by the evidence given in many grand lodges—particularly in the United States—of the existence and permeation therein of a fervent spirit of true freemasonry." There is much reason for appreciating this discriminating compliment.

Brother Burton certainly "puts one over" on New Jersey via Brother Titcombe, the able correspondent of Alabama. Brother Titcombe quotes the Jersey law as follows: "the use of any book, document, or paper, purporting to be the secret ritual of freemasonry, is absolutely prohibited." Then came the committee on German ritual and recommended "that a correct translation be made by our committee and a suitable number of copies printed for the use of the lodges of the district." Perhaps New Jersey prefers to be wrong rather than consistent.

ILLINOIS REVIEWED.

A summary of Grand Master ASHLEY's report is given. Brother BURTON says that "234 experienced brethren hold *communications* as grand examiners." Don't you mean commissions? However, there are but five grand examiners in Illinois. All the others are "grand lecturers." Grand Master ASHLEY's edict requiring documentary evidence met approval. With no risk of being immodest the writer takes the liberty of quoting the following rather incisive comment. He says that Bro. OWEN SCOTT, committee on correspondence—

Is appreciative, laudatory, and critical by turns, and there is one amusing paragraph: "The grand master is the provincial (sic) governor, and variously alluded to in the proceedings as 'Lord Plunket,' 'His Excellency,' and 'Baron.' It requires so much labour, time, and space to give all the titles, and distinctions shown by our British and provincial brethren, that it appears as a genuine relief to be an American." This is distinctly good; but does not our erudite brother realize that perhaps one may feel, not merely relief, but joy in proclaiming himself a Briton; or, for the matter of that, a New Zealander? Well, patriotism is a grand thing, and the feeling one to be encouraged and admired, even if there is occasionally developed the spread-eagle variety. At all events, we shall never quarrel on the subject.

Truly tastes will differ. The writer is glad to be a simple, plain American, without titular greatness or the pomp of royalty. He may allow the old eagle to spread a little now and then. This bird soars into the ethereal blue of man's equality because he is not loaded down with the rank and title of effete monarchy or wasteful aristocracy. However, Brother BURTON is assured that there will be no quarrel nor "'ard feelins."

Grand master, C. J. W. GRIFFITHS, Blenheim; grand secretary, MALCOLM NICCOL, Wellington.

NORTH CAROLINA—1912.

410 LODGES. 125TH ANNUAL. 21,479 MEMBERS.

The annual session was held at Raleigh, January 9-11, 1912. The book of proceedings is most interesting and it presents a very good appearance. The mere statement of the 125th annual meeting does not fully impress one with the length of the service to humanity the craftsmen of the Old North state have rendered. When we recall that 1787

is the date of organization of the grand lodge a clearer conception of age is given. The new grand master, W. B. McKoy, by his open countenance is the greeting of the proceedings.

Bro. Leo D. Heartt, grand treasurer, is the Illinois representative. He was a useful member and present at all times.

New Order of Reports.

The proceedings open with reports of grand treasurer and grand secretary. Usually the grand master's annual address in review of the year's work, comes immediately after the preliminaries incident to the opening. In North Carolina this was reversed for the evening session of the second day.

The grand secretary records that of the 405 chartered lodges only 225 reported in the time required by law. 180 secretaries were delinquent. The assurance is given, however, that this "is a very decided improvement over previous years." There is evident need for the "gingering up" of the record keepers of the lodges of our southern neighbor. For years Illinois, with its 800 lodges and over 110,000 members, has not had a lodge delinquent in making report and remittance. Our grand secretary does it with his little prodder. A custom deprecated by the grand secretary is for lodges to "exclude" those delinquent for dues just prior to making report to grand lodge and restoring them to good standing immediately after. By this the treasury of the grand lodge loses the lodge dues of many hundreds of members. This may be smart but it is not masonic.

The oration was by the grand orator, Bro. Henry A. Grady. This production was rich in historical references. By name and matter that other orator, Henry Grady of Georgia, is strongly suggested.

Care for the Needy.

The "Oxford orphan asylum," a mixed charity, supported by the state of North Carolina, the grand lodge and individual craftsmen, is found to be doing an excellent work. There are 325 children taxing it to its capacity.

During more than a century the masons of that state have not felt the imperative duty of caring for their dependents except in this "Oxford orphanage."

At last, however, steps are under way to meet every demand. The Masonic and Eastern Star Home is now under way. The corner stone was laid during 1911. The grand master reports a hard time in getting

money for this greatest need. The Eastern Star is pledged to furnish two-fifths of the money required. The grand master commends the ladies of the order most highly. There is also a movement to care for the aged, infirm and indigent. Truly the real flower and fruit of the masonic system are the complete provision for the needy, worthy brother, his widow and orphan. The brethren of North Carolina as well as elsewhere have found that masonic dependents cannot be suitably provided for by sporadic, voluntary contributions from individuals. The only satisfactory way is to establish a home and let every mason be required to pay his mite.

Only Grand Master of America.

The report of the "grand historian" is exhaustive and full of interest. February 13, 1911, a granite monument was erected over the grave of Joseph Montford, at Halifax, N. C. He was "the first—the last, the only grand master of America." He was appointed as "provincial grand master of and for America on January 14, 1771, by the Duke of Beaufort, grand master of the grand lodge of England, A.F. and A.M." Others have disputed Montford's priority of authority but the evidence appears to prove the claim that he was "the highest masonic official ever reigning on this continent." Others "reigned" over part, but he over all. Montford's picture accompanies the report of the historian.

North Carolina has a temple. It must be a fine one. It was still ornamented with a debt January 1, 1912, of $92,800. During 1911 the sum of $12,000 was paid in reduction of the obligation of the grand lodge. Can it be that the ambition for a showy temple has lessened the capacity to provide for the aged and indigent mason and his family?

In his address, the grand master generously accords to Dr. John A. Collins, committee on correspondence, credit for the high character of North Carolina masonry as viewed from abroad.

About Their Law.

The grand master deprecates the fact that lodges do not read the code of laws. He found that in many lodges it was not possible to locate such a book. Instead of reading the law and following it, masters and brethren flood the grand master with letters of inquiry. All grand masters find this tendency. Few decisions were reported. A resume of the law pertaining to the ballot was given. It was held that a man who had taken all the degrees and for six years had failed or refused to sign the by-laws was a non-affiliate. He had no lodge membership. The grand master also decided that a subordinate lodge cannot try a district deputy grand master."

The Ancient Craft the Highest.

In his address Grand Master Hackett says that "I am glad during this year to see the higher (?) bodies of masonry in North Carolina taking greater interest in masonic charities." Then he refers to a "Royal arch chapter" and a "shrine," presumably the "higher bodies of masonry" meant. There might be some reason for classing capitular degrees as a part of masonry but beyond that it would require a microscope of miraculous power to find anything masonic, either higher or lower. It certainly would be most interesting to find a suggestion of foundation for the assertion that "the shrine" is a higher order of masonry. It may be a good institution and no doubt is, else so many good masons would not enter its membership. But it is no more masonic than the Elks, the "Eagles," the "Owls," the "Moose," or any other social order.

The grand matron of the Eastern Star expressed thanks for the invitation to participate in the ceremonies of unveiling the bust of a past grand master. The committee on grievances, in its reports, presents the names and details of offenses in cases under discipline. Why publish to the world these matters that should be sacred in the bosom of the craft?

In the list of representatives of other grand lodges to North Carolina, Illinois is credited with "Jas. N. McFatish, Chicago." No such mason is known here. Bro J. B. McFatrich is probably meant. Attention was called to this error last year.

The World Review.

Bro. John A. Collins presents his 16th report on foreign correspondence. To say that it is an able and interesting review of world masonry would be needless. With the following Illinois masons will be in full accord—

It is noted with satisfaction that in those grand lodges which have authorized the printing of official rituals that plan has not proved satisfactory; it makes no better ritualists, and the evidence is that many of these volumes are lost every year, and after diligent search cannot be found. This plan of teaching the ritual is losing favor, and it is to be hoped that it will soon be entirely discontinued.

Organized Charity Best.

Brother Collins thus summarizes the advance from voluntary charity to the more substantial institutional, or organized benevolences—

Within the period in which your committee has been engaged in reviewing grand lodge transactions the organized charities of grand

lodges in the form of homes and orphanages have greatly increased, and with a few exceptions, these institutions are found in every grand jurisdiction; and although the per capita cost of maintenance is high, still, general satisfaction is expressed. It is proper to add, however, that in those grand jurisdictions which have not adopted the institutional plan of dispensing masonic relief, there are, and have been, ample means of caring for the needy and helpless brother and his dependents without any onerous tax on the general craft.

It is much to be regretted that the Illinois proceedings for 1911 were not received in time for review. By another year report on Illinois will be pretty stale. However, it probably was unavoidable.

Grand master, WILLIAM B. MCKOY, Wilmington; grand secretary JOHN C. DREWRY, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA—1911.

101 LODGES. 22ND ANNUAL. 8,006 MEMBERS.

For the third time North Dakota is the first to make its appearance for review. It is to be regretted that this volume of proceedings could not have reached this reviewer two weeks sooner. Then it could have had its place in the Illinois report before it was more than a year old. The grand lodge was held June 27 and 28, 1911, and with ordinary speed in printing might have been at hand by October 1. But it was not received until after the close of the Illinois grand lodge for 1911. The proceedings fill but 300 pages.

Prosperity is written all through the doings of the grand lodge. Five new lodges and a net gain of 427 are shown. This in spite of the "depression of last year by the shortage of crops all over our entire state."

Grand Master HULL presents a forceful address.

THE DECISIONS

Are not numerous, but two being reported. In one of these the grand master says—

While it is generally accepted that the surplus funds of the lodge are the property of the lodge to use for all legitimate purposes as the lodge may elect, yet without some safeguard or protection a very minor fraction of the lodge might vote to squander the funds of the lodge and thereby render it bankrupt. The master in such a case would have no recourse except to sign the warrant as he would have no right of ap-

peal. For this reason I hold that the grand lodge should have jurisdiction over the funds of a particular lodge to the extent, at least, that the master of a lodge may appeal to the grand lodge if, in his opinion, the funds of the lodge are not being legitimately or judiciously disposed of.

In the other it is wisely held that a lodge U.D. cannot issue dimits. All such a lodge can do is to "enter apprentices, pass fellow crafts, raise master masons and receive members by affiliation and nothing more." A lodge U.D. is simply a committee working under the supervision of the grand master to reach such a degree of efficiency as will enable them to go alone.

Back to Ancient Usages.

A dispensation was issued to a lodge to hold an open air meeting on Park Island to confer degrees of entered apprentice and master mason. This is no doubt after the order of the traditional high hills and low vales of the fathers.

The grand master was prolific in "circular letters" to the craft. In Illinois they are edicts. Into one of these Grand Master Hull injects the following bit of good sense and sound advice—

The disposition to hurry through the three symbolic degrees of masonry for the purpose of taking other degrees, or for any other reason, is to be discouraged. Such haste is not conducive to the best interests of our order. This by-law is explicit, and it occurs to me that an objection to the advancement of a candidate for failure to learn the lecture would be sufficient to bar his progress, until such time as his examination was satisfactory. I hope that all lodges will see to it that every man who is made a mason is thoroughly posted in the lectures and work of the degrees which he receives. We want to make not only enthusiastic but intelligent masons.

Does Two Men's Work.

The grand secretary follows somewhat in the footsteps of his predecessor by encroaching upon the domain of the grand master. Instead of being the head clerk of the fraternity he is a well-spring of masonic lore. He deals learnedly and with much force with many of the questions that are usually considered the exclusive province of the grand master.

He writes extensively of the duties of the committee on foreign correspondence and recognition of other grand lodges. He advises that the York grand lodge be deemed the rightful successor of the Valle de Mexico and recommends it recognition. He advises against Swiss grand lodge Alpina. The grand secretary may, and no doubt is, fully capable

of treating these general topics but his province is to keep the books and leave questions of state to the grand master and designated committees.

Deplorable Irregularities.

Bro. Paul H. Jeardeau in his report as grand lecturer and auditor discloses a grave danger to the craft in that state. He presents the matter so well that he should be allowed to speak for himself. He says that—

While on the subject of irregularities, I cannot overlook what Shiloh lodge No. 1 naively calls "Ladies Night." It appears that on this night the members bring their wives, sisters and daughters. On the last occasion of this kind held during the past year, the third section lecture of the E.A. degree was given, using the stereopticon to illustrate the same. This proved to be very interesting to the ladies, and one who was there informed me that they were very much interested and expressed the hope that they might sometime learn more of the work. This shows a creditable desire for light on the part of the ladies so favored, and it would seem as though their wish might some time be gratified unless this grand lodge expresses its disapproval of this near Mexican masonry.

Another lodge, so I was informed by a past grand officer and permanent member of this grand body, made a mason of a man with only one hand without the formality of even asking for a dispensation. What next?

If lodges are thus permitted to defy the landmarks, or common law of freemasonry, what may be expected of the crop of masonic "progressives" or "insurgents" that will inevitably spring up? The record does not disclose that the serious offenses outlined by Brother Jeardeau were in any way corrected or even considered.

The grand lodge relief fund has an increase from $2,019.35 to $2,653.67. The added amount is from the interest account. A monument was erected and unveiled during the year to the late grand secretary, Frank Jared Thompson, who was a masonic product of Illinois.

Will be Like Other People.

Heretofore, the report of the committee on foreign correspondence has been restricted to a mere digest of the laws of the various grand lodges. It was decided that a review of the proceedings of the grand lodges of the world would be prepared and sent out with the proceedings hereafter. This will add a new element of interest to the proceedings of North Dakota.

The committee on jurisprudence held that "a particular lodge cannot appropriate money with the object of condoning charges for unmasonic conduct thereby." This language may be a little hazy but it certainly is enunciating a correct principle.

The "committee on good of the order" presented a lengthy report endorsing "the peace movement in its various activities" and "the burden of tuberculosis and its prevention." These subjects in their technical form may seem a little foreign to the scope of masonry but it shows that "the committee on the good of the order" had its heart in the right place.

The death of JOHN M. PEARSON and JOHN C. SMITH, past grand masters of Illinois, is suitably presented.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

The committee on foreign relations recommended that Norway and York Grand Lodge of Mexico be recognized. This was approved. Swiss grand lodge Alpina was put on the waiting list. The time for holding rejected material was not changed from one year to five. The amendment was voted down. The annual oration was by LAWRENCE G. MOULTRIE, the grand orator. It was an able and entertaining address. The opening paragraph will suffice to show the soundness of the brother's views. He says that—

Masonry is not a benevolent organization, although it dispenses immense sums every year in benevolence. Neither is it an organization for mutual defense or protection, although brotherly love and brotherly service are among its prominent teachings. Least of all is it, as alas, some misguided, uninstructed souls have from time to time been pleased to brand it,—least of all is it a convivial association, although it believes in cultivating a close and almost family union among its members. Masonry is first and foremost and emphatically organized for the cultivation of MORALITY—of humankind—in the fear of God and the love of men. Its foundation stones are laid on the Sacred Law of God, and only upon that foundation and upon none other, is the mason from the first entrance into the precincts of its labors taught to establish a temple of character, well pleasing to God and acceptable to men.

The correspondence report, as already indicated, is a mere digest of the laws of other grand lodges.

The minutes of the Masonic Veterans Association are given place. This meeting is held, as it should be, in connection with the grand lodge.

Grand master, ROBERT MORRISON, Pembina; grand secretary, WALTER L. STOCKWELL, Fargo.

NOVA SCOTIA—1911.

71 Lodges. 46th Annual. 6,223 Members.

It is rather a singular circumstance that almost the exact number of pages are taken to record the proceedings of this grand lodge for 1911 as were required for the year 1910. A book, attractive and well printed, embracing about 500 pages records the year's work of masonry in New Scotia. The annual was convened at Halifax, June 14. Owing to the fact that that was the day of the provincial elections, involving Canadian-American reciprocity and the control of the affairs of Canada, the grand lodge adjourned for one week.

The work was taken up June 21, pursuant to adjournment. The representative of Illinois, Bro. Theo. A. Cossman, was present and took an active part in the business of the session. In order to expedite the business of the grand lodge the grand master deemed it advisable to dispense with divine services in a church. The year before, headed by a band, the grand lodge formed in procession and repaired to a church and were regaled with an eloquent sermon. There was no want of religious spirit apparent in the proceedings even though the religious exercises were omitted.

The Grand Master's Address

Was a readable, painstaking document. Grand Master Black gave a record of his second year's work. Later it is shown that he declined reelection believing that two years constitute his reasonable service.

Death was busy in Nova Scotia. Two shining marks received his stinging arrow. Duncan C. Fraser, past grand master and lieutenant governor of Nova Scotia, came first. Later Rev. Bro. Frederick M. Young, grand chaplain, passed into the eternal beyond. Still another ripened sheaf was garnered, Rev. Bro. H. D. DeBlois, who had been for many years active but was then retired as "permanent grand chaplain," was called to his reward.

The passing of past grand masters of Illinois, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith is duly recorded. At the previous grand lodge session the grand master was instructed to appoint a "grand historian." Unable to find any one willing to undertake the arduous task, no one was chosen.

Many Decisions

Were reported—19 in all. The year previous few were given. In one the grand master relegates the power to create life memberships to the several lodges.

No. 10 is as follows—

In answer to the question from a lodge in regard the establishment of a chapter of the "Order of the Eastern Star" in this jurisdiction, I concurred in the action of my predecessors, believing that the time has not yet arrived for the institution of this order in this jurisdiction.

Why should the Nova Scotians "shy" at so helpful an institution as the Eastern Star?

The grand master decides that a dimitted member has no right to visit a lodge. In Illinois non-affiliates are given one year of grace. If they do not seek membership within that time, they are then barred from lodge privileges. This appears sufficiently severe.

The Masonic Home

After one year had eight beneficiaries, seven men and one woman. The report shows a successful beginning of this important work. Even so small a number as the admissions, makes the brethren begin to think of enlargement. The experience of others is that it takes a few years to reach the average membership. Evidently it will grow materially for some time. The superintendent reports the wages of two employes at $1.50 per week each. Help must be pretty cheap in New Scotland. The board of trustees of our Illinois homes could use some of these people, unless their service is as poor as their pay.

The committee on grievance and appeal report a clean score. No complaints were submitted during the year.

S. W. Crabbe, P.G.M. of Prince Edward Island, and F. J. G. Knowlton, grand treasurer grand lodge of New Brunswick, were received with suitable honors. "Bro. Alfred Anderson and a large number of other brethren from Massachusetts" were admitted and cordially welcomed.

One feature of Nova Scotia grand lodge is worthy of imitation by Illinois. In closing, all joined in singing the "national anthem." Masonry is patriotic in its teachings and the fervor of our brethren would be well expended in singing, "My Country 'tis of Thee."

The Year's Review

Was written again by Thomas Mowbray, the grand secretary. The work is well done and the report is very interesting, covering proceedings of 62 grand lodges. Of his limited space the reviewer gives Illinois nearly four pages. He says of Bro. Ashley's report that—

Almost immediately after the opening ceremonies were concluded, instead of going to church as we usually do, the grand master delivered

what we generally term his address, but which here is stated to be his annual report. It is brief, for such a large jurisdiction, but covers the ground well and is businesslike in every detail.

Illinois masons do not "go to church" as organizations but as individuals. Brother MOWBRAY says that "seven masonic schools conducted by grand examiners were held and not having been largely attended must have been most beneficial." Probably the brother meant to say that the schools were largely attended. The insertion of the word "not" was evidently an error, probably of the printer and overlooked by the proofreader. At any rate the schools were well attended and therefore most beneficial.

No Use for Non-Affiliates.

Quoting Grand Master ASHLEY's paragraph on non-affiliates the reviewer adds that—

Like the grand master we have no sympathy, we were going to say no respect, for these non-affiliates who, when it is advantageous to them and costs them nothing, try to pass themselves off as masons. However, in this jurisdiction by constitutional regulations, we have clipped their wings so that no more are they seen in processions or occupying seats of honour round the banquet table. Oh, no, that day is over.

Referring to questions asked of our grand master, Brother MOWBRAY says—

But for unmitigated gall, in this connection commend me to the worshipful master, who wrote the grand master concerning a simple section of law, but said that he knew about what it was but had not time to look it up. Now that certainly passes the limit, but still would you believe it the grand master was good natured.

Regarding the special report on Valle de Mexico, presented by the Illinois correspondent, heartiest approval is expressed by the Nova Scotia reviewer. Congratulations on this writer's first attempt in preparing the report on correspondence are accepted with full appreciation.

"An able and eloquent oration on the subject of masonry was delivered by the grand orator, R.W. Bro. FRANK G. SMITH" is the graceful compliment paid to our eloquent exponent of masonic principles and practice.

Grand master, AUGUSTUS J. WOLFF, Lunenburg; grand secretary, THOMAS MOWBRAY, Halifax.

OHIO—1911.

524 Lodges. 102nd Annual. 82,833 Members.

Buckeyedom has done something different. The proceedings of the annual session held at Dayton, October 18 and 19, opens with a full page picture, showing the "Unbroken line of 20 past grand masters of the M.W. grand lodge of Ohio, F. and A.M., on October 19, 1911." Among these is found Wm. B. Melish, 1896, well known in knight templar circles of the United States. The strong face and form of Grand Master Kissell further adorns the handsome volume.

The inevitable welcome on behalf of Dayton was extended by the mayor, Brother Burkhardt. To this P.G.M. Sperra fittingly responded. Tracing the course of events when there was vigorous opposition to masonry in many sections, Brother Sperra said—

Within my own lifetime, and when a young man, I sat in a church with my mother in my home town and heard the order attacked by the pastor of the church, on the occasion of a masonic funeral held in the building; and yet that same pastor afterward took the masonic degrees. Men ran for insignificant public offices on masonic and antimasonic tickets, and with the strength of the antimasonic tickets largely in the ascendency. Notwithstanding all this, many of these antimasonic candidates in this same community received the three degrees of masonry, and many more would have gladly done so had it been possible for them so to do. In all this time masonry had lifted neither voice nor hand, nor effort, in a spirit of vindictiveness, retaliation, or punishment, and could never be honestly accused of plotting against established government or advising in favor of public or private wrong.

Grand Master's Annual

In his annual address the grand master notes the death of "the dean of our illustrious corps of past grand masters, M.W. Bro. Joseph M. Goodspeed," who served as grand master in 1884 and 1885. The departure of our own distinguished mason, John C. Smith, is mentioned.

The grand master refused to grant all dispensations "to confer degrees out of time, to ballot at special meetings, to solicit funds to aid in the erection of or furnishing of masonic halls or temples, to give masonic fairs, or to confer degrees upon those who physically cannot comply with the requirements of this grand lodge." There is one state that has a grand master with a level head. That state's name is Ohio.

A man who was a resident of Springfield, O., slipped over to Canaan, Ind., and received the degrees. It did not take the two grand masters long, after the facts became known, to have the lodge at Canaan

to expel him. The man who played the sharp trick did not find it the "happy land of Canaan" that he expected. The grand master refused permission for lodges to attend religious services as such. He encouraged the members to go as citizens but refused to permit them to go as masons. He says that "as lodges we know no creed, except to believe in God and to be good men and true."

Wanted to Improve the Work.

It was found by the grand master that brethren in some lodges were adding to the work in order to beautify and adorn it. They insisted, if they gave all the work required by the grand lodge, that they were perfectly justifiable in adding a new touch here and there to make masonry greater and better. The grand master failed to agree with them and rendered the following decision—

Any addition to, as well as any omission from the work as prescribed in the ritual adopted by this grand lodge, is in violation of that part of resolution 10 which enjoins conformity to said ritual.

By approving this decision the grand lodge nipped some aspiring geniuses in the bud.

Some Big Outsiders.

Ohio still indulges in the pleasantry of introducing a number of masons who hold exalted positions in bodies other than masonic. Scottish rite, templar and other functionaries were presented. A grand lodge that officially recognizes any body of men or women, other than those of ancient craft masonry, is purchasing several brands of trouble. The experience of Ohio masons with Cerneauism ought to have taught a better lesson. Except as to membership in some masonic lodge, the members of any other fraternity might as properly be presented. The grand sire of the odd fellows or the supreme chancellor of the knights of pythias, if a mason, could with equal propriety be introduced in the grand lodge of Ohio in his official capacity. Why not? Templarism is no more masonic than pythianism. The only safe course is to let all be received simply as masons.

M.W. Bro. Wm. B. Melish made a valuable report of a visit to Europe as the proxy of the grand master.

The committee on correspondence made an interesting special report. This gave a full history of the Mexican changes. The committee recommended that the recognition heretofore given of Valle de Mexico be changed to the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico." The report was adopted.

No Liquor Men for Them.

There is no uncertain tone in Ohio on the liquor question. By a unanimous vote the following was adopted as an amendment to the code.

Section 58. To engage in the selling of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes is a masonic offense and should subject any brother so offending to charges and expulsion; it should also be a disqualification for initiation or affiliation in a masonic lodge.

Something most unusual occurred at the time of installation of grand officers. The grand master announced his list of appointive officers. The record then reads as follows;

Objection was made by one of the brethren to one of the above named officers, and a motion made by the objecting brother that the appointments be approved except as to the brother to whom he objected. After discussion by several members of the grand lodge the motion was put to a vote and lost.

Usually no one is brave enough to make objection, even if he desires to do so. Unless serious defects of moral character are disclosed there is little danger of discord being projected into the ranks of brethren who should "dwell together in unity."

The Annual Review

Comes from the hand of P.G.M. Nelson Williams, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence. This is the first effort of Brother Williams, and his work stands four-square. With becoming modesty he assumes a place so long and ably filled by the late Brother Cunningham "who stood second to none as a reviewer of the proceedings of other grand lodges." Brother Williams is extremely lavish with the trite editorial "we." Why not make the report wholly impersonal? But if the pronoun must be used it is no less modest to use "I."

Illinois for 1910 is well treated in three and one-half pages of review and comment. Our proceedings are referred to as "a volume of 490 pages of solid matter." The good brother was probably mislead by the different pagings of the various parts. The book contained 613 all told.

Falling Over Each Other.

Brother Williams is overwhelmed by the large number of grand lecturers, district deputy grand masters and grand examiners, appointed by the Illinois grand master. He says—

We find that the grand master appointed fifty district deputy grand masters, twelve past grand examiners, thirteen emeritus grand lecturers, and one hundred and sixty-seven grand lecturers, and there not being a

sufficient number of the latter, he appointed thirty-seven additional ones. What in the world are all these fellows to do? It seems to us that they will be so thick they will fall over each other.

Not so. Illinois is a big state territorially and masonically. If the Ohio reviewer could visit one of our five schools, held each year by the board of grand examiners and assisted by the grand lecturers, he would quickly learn the source of the great uniformity and beauty of the standard work. Incidentally he would see that there is a place for each and some room to spare for others to come.

The fifty district deputy grand masters are the direct representatives of the grand master in performing the executive functions of his great office.

Brother Bell in Evidence.

The Ohio reviewer says that "the grand master could not attend the Baltimore conference and sent P.G.M. Bell as his proxy, and M.W. Brother Bell seems to have been about the whole push down at Baltimore." He is a good deal of the "push" at home, too.

Regarding our two great institutions, the reviewer says that "the establishment of two Masonic Homes in this jurisdiction gives it a leading position among the grand jurisdictions of the world in its provisions for the care and comfort of its orphans and destitute masons and mason's widows."

Brother Williams is concerned over the amendment providing for the transfer of membership from one lodge to another by certificate rather than dimit. This merely amends, in some minor aspects, a law that has been in successful operation for years.

Grand master, Thomas B. Guitteau, Toledo; grand secretary, J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati.

OKLAHOMA—1912.

408 Lodges. 4th Annual. 20,000 Members. (Estimated.)

The age of this grand lodge is not indicated by the statement above. Oklahoma is made of the grand lodges of Indian Teritory, 29th annual, and Oklahoma territory, 20th annual. This records the proceedings of the consolidated body, made when the two territories were merged into the state of Oklahoma. The book opens with a picture of the "Scottish Rite temple, Guthrie, where the 1913 convocation will be held." Why "convocation?" Either meeting, communication or session fits much better. "Convocation" smacks of another body.

A single page gives the record of sixteen "emergent communications" held during the year.

The grand master thus felicitates the craft—

It is my pleasure to be able to tell you that peace and harmony have prevailed throughout this grand jurisdiction; that but little discipline has been required; that the great work of building and maintaining our Masonic Home, was neither a dream nor a spasm, but a living idea, and that it thrives and grows in the hearts of the brethren, and that they may be safely trusted to rally to its support and meet its requirements. We realized in the beginning that a hard year was before us, and the tax upon our resources heavy, but the brethren have stood by their guns, and have said by their actions, the Home must and shall succeed.

About Dispensations.

The grand master was so liberal as to grant twenty-one dispensations "to confer degrees out of time." He refused to be a party to the practice, too often prevalent, in making a pneumatic tube of the lodge, through which to shoot men into so-called "higher" degrees. He says that—

I have declined to grant dispensations to confer degrees out of time when the only reason given was that the candidate might get through in time to take Scottish Rite degrees in the next class. I think a man should have sufficient time to digest and appreciate the three degrees of ancient craft masonry before going further and we should guard against letting a candidate get the idea that all of the good in masonry is in the "higher degrees."

Quite correct, Brother Eddleman.

Grand Master Made Law.

The decision mill was used quite freely in grinding out twenty-nine cases. It was held that a brother, who had waited from six to twelve

years, after being elected to take the degrees and presenting himself for initiation, had no right to complain, if the fees had been raised in the meantime. He also decided that no new ballot was necessary. That may be the law but it certainly is a dangerous practice.

The grand lodge overruled a decision that a D.D.G.M. could open a lodge and preside in the absence of the master and wardens. It would be very unsafe and unwise to allow an outsider to have charge of the business of a lodge even though he might be a D.D.G.M. He could only do so with written authority from the grand master for that purpose.

Use of Lodge Funds.

Very properly he decided that the trustees of a lodge have no right or power without consent of the lodge to donate $75 of lodge funds for the erection of a court house. Even the lodge has no right or power to divert for outside purposes trust funds paid in for masonic uses.

So long as fraternal relations are broken with New Jersey brethren from that state cannot visit in Oklahoma. The negro lodge in the former state caused the rupture. The grand master held that a conviction of a crime in a civil court could not be used in evidence in a masonic trial. The grand lodge reversed him. The grand master's view appears to be the correct one. A brother should be tried on evidence, not on court decisions.

A petitioner who had been elected to take the degrees refused "to be prepared and conform with the ceremonies of initiation." The grand master held that he was "not entitled to have the $15 accompanying the petition returned." This may be the law in that state, but keeping his money is very bad policy. The man who should take every step of his "own free will and accord" will always feel that he has been wronged.

Properly Proud of their Home.

The grand master says of the Masonic Home—

This is the apple of our eye, the core of our hearts. We are proud of our Home and we have the right to be. We are faithful and loyal to it and God grant we ever shall be. In this institution, we are building for time and eternity. As freemasons of this generation, we are erecting a monument more durable, more creditable, than the finest marble shafts that wealth can purchase. Generations yet unborn will rise up to call us blessed. We have made, are making, and will continue to make, sacrifices for the Home, but brethren, we can well afford to make them. Think of it! The children of our deceased brothers snatched as brands from the burning, cared for, educated and equipped for the battles of life, they go forth full grown men and women, a credit to themselves, to the community and to us.

Many difficulties beset them in this work. The Home grounds were bought from the United States. The payment of $25,000 and interest was made but the resources of the grand lodge would not enable them to make the next payment when due. A special act of congress changed the terms and gave them time by paying in installments. Also another tract was added by making a government entry.

Judging from the report of the board of control of the Home, farm operations are on such an elaborate scale as to obscure the real aim to care for the dependents in masonry. The "salary of farmers," "hay and feed" and "seed" mounted up to the sum of $8,045.78. The whole scheme of management appears most intricate and complicated this far away. It is hoped that it may be more simple and economic than it looks.

The total membership in the Home is, boys 53, girls 44, men 10 and women 4—total 111.

The committee on "law and usage," corresponding to our jurisprudence, is composed of all past grand masters in attendance. There are thirty-three of these. The grand master thought the number too large and recommended that it be five. The grand lodge refused to approve.

How Could They Use so Much?

The grand master made the following almost incredible statement. He said that—

The grand lodge has expended for the dissemination of the work about ninety-five hundred dollars in the last two years. Subordinate lodges have paid practically the same amount, and in addition have paid railroad fare, hotel bills, etc., so that I think it is safe to say that, all told, as much as twenty-five thousand dollars have been expended for this work in the last two years. Under present conditions this is too heavy a tax.

Steps were taken to reduce this enormous outlay.

Economic not Masonic.

Bro. Wm. H. Talmage, the grand orator, delivered an address on the theme, "Prices, Profits and Wages." This may have been good economics, but it had as little to do with masonry as a president's message confined to the tariff. The brother diagnosed a disease in our body politic but confessed that he had no remedy to suggest.

Illinois was unrepresented.

The grand secretary and grand treasurer may be good men to keep the records and the money but they are usurpers of the prerogatives of

the grand master. After giving in almost tiresome detail the financial and other statistics, they cut loose in suggestions and recommendations. The grand secretary makes six recommendations. The following is a fair sample—

I recommend that the law be changed so that the esoteric work of the middle chamber lecture and the third section of the lectures of the entered apprentice and master mason degrees could be given to as many candidates as would be convenient.

Coming from the grand master this would be proper for consideration, but from his grand clerk it is scarcely in place.

Yet, from the published proceedings it was not possible for this reviewer to extract the total membership.

Poor "Mother"!

The grand treasurer tries his hand at lecturing the grand lodge as to its duties. He makes excuses as follows;

During the nearly fourteen years I have been your grand treasurer my work during our sessions has been upon committees, outside our tyled threshold. Not in any one of these years have I asked grand lodge to give me as much as twenty minutes of its valuable time, but this year I want to beg your indulgence. I want you to ask yourselves, and answer to your own consciences, "Whither do we drift?" "Why this impetuous haste?" "Are we forgetting our MOTHER?"

He is much alarmed over other bodies sapping the interest in the craft. He then says—

The so-called higher degrees are all right only so long as they do not wean us away from the blue lodge. Neither the chapter, the council, the commandery, the Scottish Rite, nor the shrine could exist without the blue lodge. Neither of them can confer upon a seeker for truths the light which comes alone from the blue lodge. Brethren, stick to your mother.

True, brother, but why do you put it in your report as grand treasurer? Why not introduce a resolution, or run for grand master where yo can "speak as one having authority?" Until then, better see that the money is safely kept and let it go at that. He then launches into recommendations about constitutional law and many other things from Dan to Beersheba. He wants the report of the committee on correspondence cut out to save expense.

A grand treasurer usually is a pretty busy man when he confines his official work to the duties of his own position. Our Oklahoma brother, however, finds time to do considerable grand mastering, as well.

Past Grand Master Brown, of Kansas, and P.G.M. Albert G. Washburn, of Arkansas, were suitably received and the grand honors accorded.

The record shows that "Bro. Charles S. Lippincott, 33° honorary, of Memphis, Tenn., was introduced to the M.W. grand lodge and entertained it with a short address." What does the grand lodge of Oklahoma, or of any other state or province, know of the "33° honorary"?

The Annual Review

Occupies but forty-two pages and deals with forty-seven grand lodges. Bro. Thos. C. Humphrey is the committee this year. His report is brief and pithy.

The review of Illinois is for 1910 with M.W. Albert B. Ashley, grand master, "on the throne."

The writer says that "the orator, Frank G. Smith, delivered an eloquent and poetic address." Brother Humphry says that the correspondence report "covered 445 pages of the journal." Either your vision, or your arithmetic, is bad. The review of Illinois for 1910 covered precisely 249 pages including the index.

Very complimentary reference is made to Brother Robbins and his work.

Grand master, Alfred G. Gray, Cheyenne; grand secretary, Wm. M. Anderson, Oklahoma City.

OREGON—1911.

126 Lodges. 61st Annual. 10,835 Members.

Only two reports of grand lodge meetings failed to come in time for last year's review. These were Tasmania and Oregon. The latter was held at Portland, June 14-16, 1911. The proceedings did not reach the Illinois reviewer until November 9, 1911, almost five months afterward. Consequently, Oregon did not appear in the 1911 report. There must have been a brake set somewhere in the machinery of the grand secretary's office or of the official printer. The proceedings under review disclose a very vigorous regime, little in harmony with the delay in getting out the proceedings.

The volume opens with a fine picture of Grand Master Charles E. Wolverton, who for years was chief justice of the supreme court of Oregon. Now, he graces the federal bench to which, by appointment of the president, he has been elevated.

That ancient joke, "ordered by the M.W. grand master that the proceedings be read in each lodge immediately after the receipt thereof," encumbers the title page. It would be interesting to know if even one lodge ever obeyed this order.

Bro. W. T. Wright, representing Illinois, is recorded as present.

The Grand Master

In his annual address opens in a minor key. The death of two past grand masters and a past grand treasurer first challenges attention. One of these for years has been the able foreign correspondent. This was John M. Hodson. "His masonic wisdom was so replete that his advice and counsel were widely sought" was a part of the tribute paid to the distinguished departed craftsman.

The death of our own past grand masters, Bros. John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, received suitable attention.

Recognition heretofore accorded to Valle de Mexico was passed over to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

Jews not Hebrews

Attention was called to "the treatment of Hebrews in Russia." Reference is probably intended to be made to that unfortunate religious body, for 2,000 years properly known as Jews. They may be designated as the descendents of Israel and called the children of Israel or Israelites, but Hebrew has only been used when properly applied to designate a language which was dead even before the Christian era began. The Aramaic was the language of the people in the days of Christ and came from a crossing of the Greek and Hebrew. It is entirely in keeping with the spirit of masonry to be concerned about the oppression of the Jews in Russia. They have felt the heel of the tyrant. Masonry looks to the relief of suffering through wrong, to the borders of the earth.

The grand master used the power of dispensation sparingly and allowed fixed law to run its stated course.

A New Breed.

Oregon has been infested with the clandestines. Some thrifty money makers have been promoting several new brands of masonry. They furnish and confer degrees from the 1st to the 96th. This is spreading out. It has been considered that the 33rd of the Scottish Rite, was the apex of anything within gun-shot of masonry. It seems that this Pacific state was the scene of still "higher (?) degrees." Grand Master Wol-

VERTON interdicted intercourse with any except members of legitimate lodges. In addition, a law was secured from the legislature of the state for the protection of secret and fraternal societies from fraud and impostors. This law appears in the Session Laws of Oregon for 1911. The grand master further says that from documents before him—

> It would appear that there is a persistent and deep-seated attack upon York Rite symbolic masonry, as it exists in every state in the union, and that the purpose is, if possible, to supplant the York Rite with the Scottish Rite, and a spurious Scottish Rite at that, under the pretense of a desire to establish universal masonry, with a uniform ritual.

He recommends a special committee to set forth a short history of York Rite masonry. "It would serve as a light by which members of the craft would avoid affiliation with clandestine masons of all pretended orders." Such a committee was appointed and its report will be most valuable.

OREGON LAW

As announced in the rulings of the grand master is largely of local character. Thirteen decisions are reported. Where a man had moved and had not gained a residence in his new location, the lodge, from the jurisdiction from which he went, could not grant a waiver because it had no claim on him. He must wait until he acquires a new residence. A removal leaves the applicant without a residence for the time being.

THEY WANT NO HOME.

The lodges of Oregon voted down the proposition to establish and maintain a Masonic Home. The vote stood as follows; in favor 35, against 44, and failing to take action 37. On the strength of this referendum the grand lodge abandoned the effort to provide shelter for the needy and dependent ones. There has been accumulated a large fund for this purpose but it will now be kept and the proceeds used in sporadic efforts to relieve the distressed. With a good home the present 10,000 membership would double in a few years, when good men saw the rich fruitage of masonic endeavor.

The grand master closes a strong address with these words, "The world is getting better the while we move on and I feel assured that masonry is doing its part in the struggle."

SOME NEW FEATURES.

The grand lodge after due care and consideration, adopted a new code of laws. A few new things are found therein.

1. Each grand warden is to receive a salary of $300. What can he do to earn it?

2. The deputy grand master is made appointive instead of elective. He acts as the representative of the grand master only. In case of the death or removal of the grand master he does not succeed him. Presumably the wardens are in line in case of vacancy.

3. The committee on judiciary is elected. The term is five years, one being elected each year.

A committee from the grand chapter of the Eastern Star appeared and the grand lodge was called to refreshment that they might be received. They presented the greetings of the members of the Star. After the ladies retired a committee of three was appointed to return the visit and convey the good wishes of the grand lodge to the grand chapter.

The grand orator was absent and could not furnish his address. None, therefore, was printed.

A request for representatives to a masonic congress at Rome came from the "Grand Orient of Italy." The grand lodge found it "inexpedient to accredit representatives to the congress." Masonry should be universal so far as legitimacy and regularity can be found.

Provision was made for a card certificate to be used as documentary evidence. It is in almost the exact form now under consideration by the grand lodge of Illinois.

The New Correspondent

Succeeding the late P.G.M. Hodson is David P. Mason. Although the brother promises the virtue of brevity in his review, yet he occupies 149 pages. He summarizes and does not comment. Much is lost when a well-skilled writer deprives his readers of valuable constructions and opinions on current topics. Brother Mason certainly has the poetic instinct highly developed. All through his report gems of verse sparkle and glitter as the result of his cullings from various sources. Two of these are taken from our grand orator's production.

Brother Mason was limited in time and regrets that he could not have put more upon his review.

Sorry There is to be No Home.

He deeply deplores the decision of the Oregon lodges not to establish a Masonic Home. He feels that masonry never can accomplish her full mission until the needs of the unfortunate have provision made for them. This significant paragraph closes an excellent report.

There never was a time in the history of the order that so many are flocking to its standard. I attribute this largely to the fact that there

are so many societies of comparatively recent origin which are sought after on account of attractive features in the way of insurance and other temporal benefits, but they fail to satisfy the intellectual part and they turn to us as a last resort thinking that perhaps we can teach them this something that will appeal to the heart rather than to the purse, and in this I hope they are not disappointed.

About Illinois

Little is said, except to put in brief summary the various acts and doings of our grand lodge. Hearty approval may be inferred from the reference made to grand master's reference to voluntary non-affiliates.

The reviewer almost breaks his rule regarding expression of his views as well as reporting the facts. He says—

Did space permit we could quote at length from the eloquent and able address of Bro. Frank G. Smith, grand orator, from the interesting reports of the Masonic Homes, and from the report of the committee on obituaries. The orator among many helpful thoughts, emphasizes the one of fidelity to our daily work.

Then a full page quotation from Brother Smith's oration appears.

Scott's Alias is Jenkins.

Referring to last year's report on correspondence the good brother got off on the wrong trail as to the Illinois correspondent. He says that—

Bro. John T. Jenkins presents a delightfully written report on foreign correspondence. He has the report on each grand jurisdiction arranged under heads in a very attractive and readable way. In fact the whole book of Illinois proceedings is printed in splendid shape.

Who can this John T. Jenkins be who writes the Illinois review of 1910? Some mistake, Brother Mason. The correspondent's name is not spelled and pronounced that way here at home.

Grand master, Thomas M. Baldwin, Prineville; grand secretary, James F. Robinson, Portland.

OREGON—1912.

127 Lodges 62nd Annual. 11,410 Members.

(The 1911 proceedings of Oregon came after this review for 1912 had been written.)

Through some oversight, or other cause, the proceedings of Oregon for 1911 did not reach the Illinois reviewer. This is regrettable as there are always points of interest lost to the Illinois craft where there is such an omission. The session of 1912 was held at Portland, June 12-14. The record shows progress. There were new lodges formed and a net gain of 574 members.

A special session was held to lay the corner-stone of Reed College at Portland.

At the annual Illinois was represented by Bro. Wm. T. Wright, the regular ambassador.

The grand master, in his address, says that the interests of the fraternity require the entire time of the presiding officer and that he should "visit every lodge in his jurisdiction." This might be done with the 127 lodges in Oregon. Wth only 365 days and over 800 lodges in Illinois the grand master, to accomplish this, would have to multiply himself by about ten.

Grand Master Baldwin well says—

I fear we are in danger of becoming "purse proud." Rather let us extend the beneficent influences of masonry as far as our means and opportunities will permit. We will thus best serve the great purposes of our fraternity and more clearly demonstrate our usefulness as a factor in the scheme of civilization.

Opinions not Decisions.

The grand master in his modesty reports opinions rather than decisions. There is difference, too, in this distinction. By this the writer is reminded of an incident in which the late Bro. J. H. C. Dill figured as a principal. During the absence of the grand master, who resided in the same city with Brother Dill, the grand secretary, a telegram came to the grand master asking a question. To facilitate matters and accommodate the lodge submitting the question, Brother Dill wired an answer. The grand master on his return, not knowing that Brother Dill had answered the message, replied giving the lodge instructions exactly the reverse of what Brother Dill had said. On learning this Brother

Dill dryly remarked, "Well, that shows the difference between an opinion and a decision."

Brother Baldwin's first "opinon" is that "the ceremonies should not be abridged for the sake of saving time." This refers to the conferring of degrees. He then adds—"They should be made as impressive as possible, and no careless, slip-shod work should be permitted."

Mixed Funerals.

Brother Baldwin further says that—

I would grant to the Eastern Star every privilege not inconsistent with the law and established customs of masonry, but as the burial of a brother is strictly masonic work, and as the lodge is at labor during the whole service, it is not proper or permissible to permit anyone not a mason to take part in the funeral ceremonies, except the clergy.

In another opinion he holds the sound position that a lodge cannot participate in joint funeral ceremonies.

The grand master reports the issuing of a commission to "Frank F. Locke, as grand representative of this grand lodge, residing near the grand lodge of Illinois."

The record shows that nineteen past grand masters were present. Truly, the "has beens" of that commonwealth do not forsake the assembling of themselves together with their brethren.

Much Property but no Home.

The report of a special committee on valuation of grand lodge property shows an estimate on the masonic building at Portland of $500,000. Further, there is a "masonic building association" in which the grand lodge owns and controls values to the amount of $132,250. Against this, there appear to be obligations in the sum of $18,000.

Notwithstanding this excellent financial showing, the records of the Oregon grand lodge do not disclose a single provision for the care and maintenance of the needy brother, his widow and orphan. There may be such but the proceedings do not tell about it.

The grand orator, Stephen A. Lowell, gave a very carefully prepared address, dwelling mainly on the historical aspects of masonry. The origin of the fraternity appeared to be his quest but like many others he conceded that it was hid in obscurity.

Eastern Star Persona Grata.

An official visit was made by a committee from the grand chapter of the Eastern Star. The grand master called to refreshment and the good

sisters were admitted. Felicitations were exchanged; bouquets, both verbal and floral, were presented and a general good time was enjoyed. Mrs. Baldwin presented to the grand master the token prepared by the grand chapter. In receiving it the grand master embraced and kissed Mrs. Baldwin, but, as she was his wife, no one found fault. Evidently masonry and the Eastern Star are on pretty friendly terms in Oregon.

On recommendation of the committee on correspondence Porto Rico was placed on the accredited list.

The Masonic Club of London—whatever that is—was recognized. The grand master said it had "honorable parentage and because its avowed purposes harmonize so well with our professions of universal brotherhood." So they took it in. It will hardly do to recognize everything with "honorable parentage" and that is not in discord with universal brotherhood. Grand Master Mock, of Idaho, was given the glad-hand greeting.

The Annual Review

Embracing 236 pages is the second from the hand of the venerable David P. Mason, P.G.M. He says that "our order is growing rapidly and, were it not for the fear of being considered pessimistic, I would say far too rapidly for the permanent good of the order." He then most wisely adds—

> The institution of Freemasonry should be sought, and not seek its votaries, as I fear is too often the case, especially among some of the younger element, who seem to think that numbers are absolutely essential to success; and while, in a sense, that is true, yet those numbers should never be acquired at the sacrifice of the non-observance of the ancient usages, customs and landmarks of our venerable and time honored institution.

Brother Mason thoroughly summarizes the Illinois proceedings with little comment and with copious quotation. He calls the report on obituaries "really beautiful and thought stimulating." A half-page clipping as an illustration then follows.

After a large extract he says that "the oration delivered by the grand orator, Rev. W. W. Wilson, is as entertaining and eloquent as any we ever read."

"Proceedings of the association of past grand masters" close the volume. Little was done by the P.G.M.'s except elect officers and attend the annual dinner.

Grand master, Geo. H. Burnett, Salem; grand secretary, Jas. F. Robinson, Portland.

PENNSYLVANIA—1911.

485 Lodges. 125th Annual. 100,765 Members.

The Keystone grand lodge is one of the few American bodies that holds quarterly sessions. During 1911 there are reported meetings in March, June, September and December. The annual comes St. John's day, December 27.

At the meeting in March the grand lodge relinquished its claim to a bequest, because a daughter of the deceased brother was in need of the sum which would not enrich the grand lodge, but the lack of which might impoverish the daughter.

The event of the year was the celebration of the 125th anniversary of the independent existence of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania. Effort was made to secure the attendance of the grand master of the grand lodge of England, from which sprang the Pennsylvania grand body. The Duke of Connaught was unable to accept the urgent invitation as he had so recently come to Canada to assume the duties of governor-general. A galaxy of distinguished representatives of other grand jurisdictions graced the occasion with their presence. Virginia, New Hampshire, West Virginia, District of Columbia, Utah, Delaware, Michigan, Washington, and Connecticut were in evidence.

Illinois was There.

Illinois held a prominent place in the festivities of this occasion by the presence of Bro. Henry T. Burnap, senior grand warden, who represented the grand master.

President Taft was compelled to send his regrets because of his pre-arranged western trip. The distinguished Irish craftsman, Chetwode Crawley, was not able to respond on behalf of the grand lodge of Ireland. A banquet closed the day. There were 570 guests at the tables. Many excellent speeches were made but none was reported.

On October 23 the grand lodge in special session laid to rest with fitting ceremonies, William A. Sinn, grand secretary since 1896.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected, though not installed until the annual December 27.

A Vast Fraternal Enterprise.

The development and equipment of the Masonic Home at Elizabethtown are proceeding on a very extensive scale. The original site pur-

chased consisted of the vast tract of 966 acres. In order to straighten the boundaries some small pieces of land were added during the year. Truly the scope of the Home's usefulness is not circumscribed. It is for dependent masons, their wives, widows, mothers, sisters and orphan children. Pennsylvania's heart is as big as its great territory and plethoric treasury. The Home authorities were authorized to borrow $100,000 to carry out the gigantic plans now under way. One new step is to build at the Home the "Grand Lodge Hall" at a cost of $377,145. The contract was let at that figure. Plans have been also approved "for building a road from the railroad to 'Grand Lodge Hall' and hospital, storm water sewers, grading grounds," etc. Estimated cost of completing this system is $60,000. They did not stop here. "Power plant, laundry department, heating and ventilating system, conduits, railroad siding and other necessary work and equipping the same," were let to lowest bidder at $120,000. These figures to people of modest means are almost sensational. More than $500,000 in this work of extension of the Home plant together with the original investment must constitute the record for grand masonic charities.

The corner-stone of the "Grand Lodge Hall" was laid September 26, 1911. There were 3,600 masons present. The entire attendance was estimated at 8,000 people.

So far but fifty-three "guests" are at the Home. Permit a question. Why call them by such transient name as "guests"? They are members, permanent members of the great Masonic Home family of the sturdy old state of the Quakers.

The record for the year closes with the recital of the doings of the 125th "annual grand communication" held December 27, 1911. At this came the

Address of the Grand Master

In review of his year's work. Attention was called to the fact that—

In the late political campaign, some members of the fraternity, forgetful of their obligations, attempted to make use of their masonic connection to promote their political interests.

In many cases circulars bearing masonic emblems and the fraternal records of candidates were freely distributed.

In Philadelphia three papers published articles urging masons to vote for certain candidates because of their masonic standing. One of these was a masonic (?) publication. It took an entire page to present the masonic achievements of the brother whose election was urged. The grand master truly says that "any member of the fraternity whose masonry is more than a name, knows that such conduct as this is unma-

sonic." The conclusion of the grand master is that "we cannot be too vigilant and severe in checking such attempts to use the fraternity improperly." In addition all masons should see that a candidate resorting to such methods is defeated. Every mason should vote against him.

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico was not considered as fit for recognition. The committee to which the application was referred did not regard it worth attention until further fitness can be shown.

A question of jurisdiction arose over a man seeking admission to Star in the East Lodge No. 166, of Rockford, Ill. Grand Master GUTHRIE held that the jurisdiction was in Pennsylvania and Grand Master DARRAH, after investigation, concurred.

MANY DECISIONS

Were reported. Most of these were as to the merest details. A petitioner was elected. Before he was initiated he lost the forefinger of his left hand. The grand master barred him. Why? He could comply with all requirements. It was held that the auditing committee of a lodge could not hold a meeting for its work in a saloon. "Such a committee is, in a measure, a part of the lodge."

The grand master said that "an officer of a lodge subordinate to this grand lodge has no right to correspond with the grand lodge of another jurisdiction on masonic subjects without the authority of the grand master."

The following is as sound law in Illinois as in Pennsylvania.

Advertisements in newspapers and periodicals of the names, numbers, and places of meeting, as well as a list of officers of subordinate lodges, are positively prohibited.

Correct again.

It is the law in this jurisdiction that a masonic lodge must not be opened on Sunday for any purpose whatever.

If a funeral of a deceased brother is called for Sunday, the members may meet at the lodge room and proceed from there to the funeral, but a lodge must not be opened.

MUST CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT.

Grand Master GUTHRIE "refused permission for a lodge to occupy the banquet room later than 12 p. m." He adds—"That is the close of the day and there is no reason why the brethren should not be on their way home by that time."

The new grand master was appalled when he found 1,400 decisions since 1856 "staring him in the face." He thinks every possible construc-

tion of the Ahiman Rezon (like our blue book) has been made and indicates that he will not add to the multitude of decisions. He talks like a very sensible man.

For true religion and undefiled Pennsylvania ought to excel. There were fifteen grand chaplains installed. These ought to be able to keep the brethren in the straight and narrow path, if much praying can do this.

The Review of Grand Lodges

Comes from the skilled hand of Bro. James M. Lamberton. It requires 324 pages to tell the story of world masonry as seen by this Pennsylvania writer. The tale is full of interest and profit at home and abroad.

He notes the death of the two eminent British freemasons, William J. Hughan and Henry Sadler, "both of whom the writer numbered among his friends." The definite formation of the George Washington Memorial Association is given as "the most important matter of general masonic interest in this country during the year."

Brother Lamberton gives the following as a most striking case of family work in the fraternity. He says that—

From time to time, in reading the various proceedings, we come upon cases where a father has conferred a degree upon his son. We very much doubt if the following can be duplicated anywhere: At a stated meeting of Oakland Lodge No. 535, held at the masonic temple in Pittsburgh, in this jurisdiction, on November 7, 1910, the degree of master mason was conferred by Bro. Isaac E. Isaacs, past master, as master, assisted by his eldest son, Bro. Eleazer Isaacs, as senior warden; his second son, Bro. Abraham S. Isaacs, past master, as junior warden; his third son, Bro. Henry S. Isaacs, past master, as guide; his fourth son, Bro. Arthur S. Isaacs, as senior deacon; his fifth son, Bro. Leo. Isaacs, a junior deacon, upon his *sixth* son, Bro. Louis Isaacs.

Illinois Appreciated.

Evidently the Pennsylvania reviewer thinks well of Illinois. He quotes liberally from our grand officers and especially from Grand Master Ashley. He says—

The annual report of the grand master, whose familiar features are reproduced in the frontispiece, shows another year of faithful, efficient labors. He reported the death of Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Bro. John Corson Smith, and of Right Worshipful Past Deputy Grand Master Bro. Charles Fisher, both natives of Pennsylvania. Brother Smith was one of the best known American masons, and his loss will be widely felt.

Brother Ashley's reference to "Masonry and Religion" is given in full and with hearty approval. Brother Burnap's report of his visit as

representative of the grand master to the 125th anniversary of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania is, likewise, quoted without abridgment.

Brother Bell is referred to as one "whom many of our brethren will recall with pleasure." The writer appreciates the complimentary reference to his review of grand lodges.

Does not Understand.

Brother Pemberton is confused by the reference to D.D.G.M.'s of this state. Our brother is assured that they are a choice lot of most capable craftsmen but under our law and usage they have had little of duty put upon them. Or present grand master is finding something for them to do this year and, if this continues, they will be a virile agency for the uplift of the work of lodges.

Brother Pemberton says that he is amused at the concern expressed by this writer for the grand master of England in carrying his load of titles. He adds, "We fancy that England's grand master has more to do with masonic affairs than is generally supposed." If so, it must be as the Chicago man kept his religion, like his property, in his wife's name. The Duke of Connaught, the governor-general over in Canada, must do his work as grand master by cable or by proxy. Our good brother in Pennsylvania approves, by copious quotations from the Illinois report on correspondence, the attitude in reference to higher (?) masonry. He reproduces the references in Iowa, Oklahoma, Vermont, *et al.* It is gratifying to be backed-up by so discriminating and distinguished a man as Brother Pemberton.

Attention is called to an error in describing the session of the G. L. of Pennsylvania as the 134th. The 3 should have been a 2. The mistake was one of proofreading and not fatal.

Grand master, William L. Gorgas, Philadelphia; grand secretary, John A. Perry, Philadelphia.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—1911.

14 Lodges. 36th Annual. 737 Members.

It is a pleasure to go over the little book of proceedings of what might be called the "Baby Grand," among governing bodies with which our grand lodge is in fraternal touch. Prince Edward Island is circumscribed in its territorial limits by the high seas. Its small membership does not prevent it from teaching and practicing the virtues of the ancient craft quite as successfully as any of its big sisters.

The annual was held at Summerside June 28, 1911, but the printing of the proceedings was delayed so that the review could not be made until long afterward.

A fine picture of H. C. MacDonald, showing a forceful and stalwart grand master for 1911 and 1912, greets the reader in opening the volume of proceedings. A brief biography tallies with the impression made by the picture. Evidently Brother MacDonald is a man who does things.

The roll of grand representatives fails to disclose the name of the ambassador for Illinois.

The Grand Master's Address

Is brief but full of interest. He rejoices "at the prospect of arbitration between the different branches of the Anglo-Saxon world and trusts that this is the beginning of the fulfillment of the prophecy that nations shall learn to war no more and that peace on earth and good will to all mankind will prevail."

The passing away of our two past grand masters, John M. Pearson and John C. Smith, is suitably recorded. The death of Benjamin Rogers, past grand master of Prince Edward Island, and a mason for fifty-three years, is presented with adequate eulogy.

The grand master was prevented from visiting all the lodges as he had planned. A son was dangerously ill in Mexico and several months were spent by him in that turbulent country. During his absence the deputy grand master was at the helm.

The appointment of Bro. Elmer D. Brothers as their representative in Illinois is reported.

How Could He Do It?

The grand master reports that while in Mexico he "visited Toltec lodge twice." His grand lodge has never recognized any grand body in

Mexico. He says that "this grand lodge was perhaps wise in not hurrying to exchange representatives and extend recognition." He then reports the mix-up and secession and the existence of two grand lodges both claiming to be regular and governing bodies. Later, Bro. W. P. DOULL, chairman of the committee on correspondence, reports as follows;

There are several grand lodges (or bodies calling themselves grand lodges) in Mexico. Several have applied to us for recognition in former years. Their applications have been laid on the table for future action. There does not yet appear any urgent need of their being taken up.

In view of all this how could a grand master of a legitimate body of masons visit an irregular and clandestine lodge? How would his obligation and his conscience match over such a problem?

The grand secretary says that all lodges have reported and paid grand lodge dues. Only two were suspended for non-payment of dues and none for any other cause.

There is no review of grand lodges presented. Brother DOULL, the correspondent, evidently feels the slight when reviewers practically ignore them. He says—

To the few who have passed us by from year to year with the remark "a pamphlet of—pages, devoted wholly to local matters. No correspondence" we would say that in this jurisdiction masonry is not measured by the thickness of the volumes of proceedings or the size of the type in which it is printed.

Very correct. A little grand lodge is just as masonic as a big one, if it practices the precepts of the craft as faithfully.

No review of grand lodges is given.

Grand master, H. C. MACDONALD, Charlottetown; grand secretary, W. P. DOULL, Charlottetown.

QUEBEC—1912.

64 LODGES. 42ND ANNUAL. 7,021 MEMBERS.

Quebec's annual was held at Montreal, February 14, 1912. Much was made of the dedication of a monument to JOHN H. ISAACSON, grand secretary for thirty-two years. This was at Montreal October 14, 1911. A series of fine pictures are given of the monument and of the ceremonies incident to the dedication.

Bro. R. E. CHANNELL was present at the annual as the representative of Illinois.

In his address, Grand Master CHARTERS speaks in highest terms of the new governor-general of Canada, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, who is also nominal grand master of England. The special points on which he is commended are that he is "the son of the ever-to-be revered Queen Victoria and the brother of our late KING EDWARD."

SOUND SENSE.

Here is a good paragraph from the grand master's address. He says that—

Masonry, apparently, never was more popular in this Province of Quebec than at the present time. While we earnestly rejoice at this fact, let me urge the exercise of great care in admitting members into our lodges. Gain in numbers may mean progress, but it might also mean weakness, if by any means there should be a lowering of the standard of qualification. Quality rather than quantity must ever be our motto.

Progress in Quebec is most significant because there is much clerical opposition to masonry in that province.

Brother CHARTERS used commendable discretion in refusing many applications for special dispensations. The entire report is a brief but forcible account of masonic doings for the year.

ORIGIN OF MASONRY.

The stated oration was by Rev. GEO. A. MACLENNAN, one of the grand chaplains. His theme was "The Historical Setting of the Legend of the Temple." He thinks the Solomonic origin of masonry is a fabrication and says that—

When the traveling freemasons from Como in Italy, in the Middle Ages, spread over Europe in pursuit of their calling as architects and builders of those magnificent cathedrals which they erected to the glory of God and the furtherance of religion, they were organized into guilds for the preservation of their trade secrets and the advancement of their profession.

Out of this came the origin of masonry or the "Legend of the Craft."

Nearly all grand officers were re-elected. A nominating committee was appointed to suggest the standing committees for the year. Most grand lodges leave this as prerogative of the grand master. Quebec is pretty "English, you know." This is shown in the fact "honorary past ranks" are conferred. This includes grand masters, grand wardens and grand deacons. A considerable string of these is printed in the proceedings. Think of some Illinois brother being styled a past grand master who was never elected to that exalted station! Such a thing, however, is unthinkable. But some folks like empty honor.

The Annual Review

Was written by P.G.M. Chambers. It is brief but comprehensive. A good deal of the doings of the masonic world is crowded into 99 pages. Here is one significant paragraph from the introduction. He says that—

It is gratifying too, to see in what a minority those grand jurisdictions are being left, which have thoughtlessly identified themselves with the bastard masonry of France, and of those other Latin countries in which the true light of freemasonry has been willfully extinguished.

Somewhat in the same vein is the following under British Columbia.

We have always held it to be an essential article of masonic faith that the Supreme Being will punish vice and reward virtue, and we should not have the slightest hesitation in objecting to the admission of one who expressed any doubts on the subject. No man whose evidence would be rejected in a court of justice is a fit and proper person to be made a mason, and no man who disbelieves in divine punishment of vice should be considered a competent witness in a court of justice.

Treats Illinois Well.

He says that Grand Master Ashley "performed a tremendous lot of official work during the year and must have had very little time for anything else than the duties of his masonic office."

The blow that worried father, however, was the following; "P.G.M. Owen *Smith* presented the report on correspondence, an exhaustive work of 240 pages, and as clever as it is exhaustive." Just to think! Owen *Smith*. Could not our good brother have made it Jones or Brown? What is in a name? Very much when it plunges you into the cloud of atoms labelled "Smith." However, it might have been the work of the printer or his devil, and Brother Chambers is pardoned.

Approvingly is quoted the part of the Illinois review regarding the uniform, attested receipt for dues.

Grand master, Rev. Frank Charters, Montreal; grand secretary, Will H. Whyte, Montreal.

QUEENSLAND—1911.

57 Lodges. 7th Annual. 2,100 Members. (Estimated.)

In two pamphlets, one of seventy and the other of thirty-two pages respectively, the record is given of no less than eight communications of this new Australasian grand body. These meetings are designated as special and quarterly, three of the former and five of the latter. So far as the business reported is concerned, it is difficult to discover any difference in the two kinds. This review covers the transactions of Queensland from August 19, 1910, to September, 1911.

At every session, where attendance of representatives of foreign grand lodges is recorded, the representative of Illinois, Charles H. Harley, was noted as present. Brother Harley is grand secretary and is otherwise active and useful.

Unearned Honors.

On recommendation of the board of general purposes, the grand master suggested that the rank of past grand master be conferred upon a brother who had never been elected to, or served in that position. The vote was carried and the brother is known as a past grand master. It may do in British or foreign grand lodges to give a mason the title of an office he never filled, but in Illinois and other parts of America one so labelled would be looked upon as sailing under false colors.

Another occurrence will be of interest to the Sucker State craft. The grand master was re-elected and proceeded to install himself. He did so by using the following—

Acting on the precedents in this grand lodge, as you have re-elected me as your grand master, I now re-affirm the obligation I took on my first installation, this obligation I promise to fulfill during the ensuing twelve months, or until my successor shall have been duly elected and installed in my stead. So help me God.

The deputy grand master was re-appointed by the grand master and performed a similar good turn for himself.

Two Reports by the Grand Master.

Grand Master Hertzberg presented two very able reports and set forth in forceful terms the ground-work of masonry and gave a very good resume of his official acts.

He records that the Widows, Orphans and Aged Masons' Institution has over $10,000 in its treasury and is supporting nine orphans by al-

lowances to their mothers. He expresses the hope that they may soon be able to "establish a freemasons' Home similar to that of the grand lodge of Victoria." A pretty big undertaking it would be for a membership of 2,100.

The friction between the grand lodges of England, Scotland and Ireland remains. The grand master cautions against any acts or words other than the most fraternal and masonic. He hopes that soon the mother grand lodges will release their hold on the lodges of Queensland and allow all to come together and form one united grand body. It certainly would be the truly masonic thing for these grand lodges to do. With their age and strength they do not need the small membership held in this little British province.

At the quarterly held September 12, 1910, the grand master was absent, being kept away by illness. The deputy grand master presided.

They Must Be Dancers.

The list of dispensations granted is worth perusing. Some of the purposes look queer to American eyes. Here are a few.—"To initiate candidates on night of ballot," "To wear regalia at social," "For Wor. Bro. to hold two offices," "To wear regalia at Ball," etc. By doing this masonry is farmed out to make a show for very scant reasons. The great fraternity is not honored in being used in these frivolous amusements.

The board of general purposes takes the responsibility of making "the nomination of the grand master and grand lodge officers." The "slate" presented by the committee went through as though it were greased. It would be amusing to see what the grand lodge of Illinois would do to a list nominated by one of its committees.

In giving representatives of other grand lodges, Illinois is credited with "J. R. Innes." This is meant for Bro. J. R. Ennis.

A delegation of distinguished masons, representing the grand lodge of New South Wales, were presented with masonic honors.

The death of P.G.M. John C. Smith, of Illinois, was reported.

No report on correspondence is given.

Grand master, A. M. Hertzberg; grand secretary, Chas. H. Hartley, Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND—1911.

37 Lodges. 121st Annual. 7,811 Members.

There was a gain in membership of 347, indicating growth and prosperity. The number of lodges remains at thirty-seven. The highest number that any lodge bears is thirty-nine. There are only two vacant numbers. Either new lodges, organized during the past 120 years, must have been given numbers of defunct lodges, or there has been a remarkable persistency of those constituted. The sessions are a semi-annual held in November, and the annual in June.

The book of proceedings is a very modest and good-looking pamplet of but 123 pages. The first record is of an "emergent communication" held at Providence July 25, 1910, to pay "the last tribute of respect to the memory of our Bro. Henry Warren Rugg, most worshipful grand master of masons." Brother Rugg was at the same time grand master of the grand encampment of Knights Templar of the United States. The funeral was conducted by the deputy grand master of the grand lodge of masons. The deputy grand master of the Knights Templar attended and participated in the obsequies. The ceremonies were simple and without show as requested by Brother Rugg, prior to his death.

Death and Sickness Prevalent.

At the semi-annual communication held in June, the junior grand warden was in charge. This was on account of the death of the grand master and the illness of the deputy grand master and senior grand warden.

A rather unusual method is pursued in Rhode Island. The grand officers reports made at the annual meeting are referred to a committee and the report is not presented until the semi-annual, six months later. In Illinois the reports are prepared and printed in advance. When the grand lodge convenes the committees, having been in session a day or two before, are ready to report.

The Rhode Island way makes the reports rather stale reading. Then, too, the consideration and determination of important matters are needlessly delayed. Our Yankee brethren should try to catch up. Little was done at the semi-annual except to provide ways and means for the Henry Warren Rugg monument and memorial. This is to be the joint work of the masons and templars.

The committee on foreign correspondence reported that, under their law, no action was needed to meet the request of Oregon, relative to a uniform system of dimits.

The death of Past Grand Masters GEORGE H. KENYON and WM. N. ACKLEY was duly reported.

The 121st annual was held at Providence, May 15, 1911, with the deputy grand master presiding. His report contained almost nothing beyond routine and statistical matters.

MIXED RELIGIONS MIGHT FIGHT.

Lodges were granted dispensations to attend church. Some day this custom will be considered unmasonic as it really is. If all members of a lodge were Christians and belonged to the same denomination, or if all were Jews, there could be little harm in the church habit. So long as there is such diversity of religious affiliation and belief among lodge members they should be allowed to worship individually, rather than collectively.

They are not afraid to use the black ball in "Little Rhody." The report of the grand secretary shows that "the thirty-seven lodges held 551 communications and of the petitions received by them 300 were rejected. There were 479 candidates initiated, 533 passed and 528 raised." This shows a marvelous proportion of rejections to initiations. They must have a great many unworthy applicants in this miniature state.

MORE LIGHT REGARDING WORLD MASONRY.

Bro. WM. L. CHATTERTON, for the committee on foreign correspondence, makes a strong plea for a review of the work of other grand lodges. He says that—

> It is the province of such a committee to report to its grand lodge, succinctly and elaborately, the events transpiring in the great masonic world, thereby disseminating to the craft throughout the jurisdiction, through the medium of the printed proceedings of grand lodge, the decisions and acts of the various grand lodges, wherever located, in corresponence with this grand lodge, and to convey as well the expression of the opinions of the local committee on such acts and decisions and to note generally matters of interest.

Even though the publication of such a review should add somewhat to the expense, he thinks it would pay "in broadening, or tending to broaden, the mentality of the student and helping to develop the progressiveness of the craft."

The appeal evidently fell on deaf ears as no action was taken. Hence no report on correspondence appears.

That the masonic sea is placid is shown by the absence of cases before the "commissioners of trials."

The representative of Illinois failed to answer at roll call.

How They Elect.

The method of electing grand officers has in it a little of the political world. The incoming grand master vacated the chair and retired, presumably that he might be surprised when a committee waited on him to advise him of his unanimous election and escort him to the station that he had so lately vacated.

He was received, welcomed and immediately installed. The election and installation of the other officers then followed.

A resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a committee "to consider the advisability of establishing a Masonic Home in this state and to devise ways and means, if said committee decides to recommend its establishment." Report is to be made at the semi-annual meeting.

Grand master, James B. Gray, Providence; grand secretary, S. Penrose Williams, Providence.

SASKATCHEWAN—1912.

94 Lodges. 6th Annual. 4,049 Members.

This year the proceedings of our Canada sister's annual meeting made appearance August 29, being much earlier than the year before. The excellent full-page picture of Grand Master Arthur S. Gorrell shows a most forceful man, easily capable of being governor-general of Canada. There is not much of English in the proceedings. However, the grand master was "on the throne" and that is English, you know.

Grand Master Hopkins, in his annual address, exhibits loyalty to the province as well as to masonry. He says that—

I am led to believe that with but few exceptions, the very best men in the province are being received into our institution. I believe that the moral teachings of masonry are having an effect on not only the masons of our province, but on the citizens as well. It is not to be wondered that masonry is increasing in our great country, and apart from masonry our province is increasing and developing with greater strides

than any other part of the Dominion. It must be gratifying to us to know that we are living in such a favored section of the universe, and we trust that while our prosperity continues we will not forget those who are in need of our aid and benevolence.

Preparing for Benevolence

Though a young grand lodge and limited in membership, yet thought of the distressed worthy brother is uppermost. A benevolent fund is under way. The annual dues are to be increased $1 per member, and this added to this fund. On recommendation of the board of general purposes $3,000 were transferred from the general to the benevolent fund.

The grand master recommends that the grand lodge representatives be shaken up and those who do not attend be dropped. He thinks a representative of another grand lodge should take some interest in the body he represents.

Few rulings were made and these were construction of purely local law. Jewels for representatives near other grand lodges are suggested.

The Annual Review

Is the third by Brother Gorrell, the present grand master. It takes 232 pages for the story of masonry as gleaned from grand lodges around the world.

Of Illinois the reviewer says—

This grand jurisdiction is rapidly assuming gigantic proportions, and the amount of its financial transactions for the masonic year are enormous. Its charities are extensive, and dwarf into insignificance the public charities of some states.

Brother Gorrell quotes freely from Grand Master Ashley and approves his position on all questions. Especially is this so on "Masonry and Religion." Brother Gorrell refers to conferring "the rank of past D.D.G.M." on a brother after his death. He says that the brother died during his term of office and "his widow was the only one to whom his certificate could be delivered." Very true. If a certificate that Brother Smith was D.D.G.M. and died while in that position was what was meant the proceeding appears to be regular. The widow without doubt would highly appreciate this written evidence of her late husband's preferment. The point criticized, however, was the attempt to confer a "past rank" on a man who was not alive. From the standpoint of the writer no conferring of a rank can be made even on a live man. A brother serves in a position by election or appointment and when he retires, he *becomes* a past master, a past D.D.G.M., etc., without action of grand lodge or any other authority. If he has not served in a station

or place no power of grand lodge or grand master can confer on him a "past rank" for something he has never been.

Our Brother Amused.

Brother Gorrell says—

But speaking of titles, the American (United States) citizen amuses us. In some states every justice of the peace is an honorable; every consul in the United States service is a colonel; and even the unfortunates who hold commission in the National Guards are hailed by their military titles on every possible occasion.

True, the friends of a justice of the peace, our lowest court, call him "squire," or if he is pompous or prominent he may be a "judge." Consuls are not "colonels" in this country. The titles of national guardsmen are military, because the national guards are an organic part of the military forces of the United States. They are subject to mobilization at the call of the commander in chief of the United States forces in cases of emergency. Whatever of civic titles our people may court, they are *ultra vires*. By law there is none. Even the chief magistrate of the nation is simply "Mr. President" and his official residence is merely the "white house." However, our good brother is so American in his writings, his methods and his good temper that no one can want to deprive him of his amusement by abolishing the "colonels," "judges," etc., foolishly or playfully applied by Americans.

Grand master, Arthur S. Gorrell, Regina; grand secretary, John M. Shaw, Regina.

SCOTLAND—1911-1912.

752 Lodges. 80,000 Members (Estimated.)

At the quarterly communication held at Edinburgh, August 3, 1911, one important decision was made. It is as follows;

Lodge St. Andrew, Malta, No. 966, asks whether it would be "in order restricting the initiation of persons below a certain rank in the navy and army;" adding that "the other constitutions in Malta do not admit any one below the rank of corporal or petty officer;" and that some of their candidates who were below that rank were rejected by the ballot, although they had passed the committee's investigation.

The answer is that it would be quite out of order to make any such distinction. The grand lodge of Scotland recognizes no disqualification on the ground of inferior rank in the naval or military service

any more than it does in the case of a civilian. Any member of a lodge who blackballs a candidate for no other reason than that his rank in the service is under that of corporal or petty officer is acting against the spirit of Scottish freemasonry.

Here is the true masonic position. That a man is any better or any worse because he has a certain rank in the army or navy cannot be held by one who has really imbibed the true spirit of the fraternity. It is refreshing to have snobbishness rebuked in a country where rank and position count for so much.

Brother WALKER, past grand master of New Brunswick, was received and cordially welcomed.

SCOTTISH DIFFERENCES.

Scotland presents some new features in its officers. They have a "senior grand chaplain" and a "junior grand chaplain," a "grand bard," a "grand director of music," and a "grand bible-bearer."

Here is the way the record reads regarding the announcement of the new grand officers.

"The proclamation of the election and installation was made by the grand director of ceremonies, a *fanfare* being sounded by the trumpeters." Again the grand master does not announce appointments but he "intimates" them. These peculiarities look queer to American eyes. Grand masters in this country do not "intimate" or hint at appointments they boldly announce them.

The great "festival of St. Andrew," held in November, is the climax of masonic doings for each year. Many notable craftsmen are present and many excellent speeches are made. It is the red-letter day of masonry in Old Scotia.

The record shows that in the 112 years since 1800, there have been 389,448 members admitted, with an annual average of 3,477. These are known as "intrants."

WILLIAM BROWNLIE, Glasgow, is given as the representative from Illinois.

At the February, 1912, quarterly communication thanks were extended for proceedings of grand lodges received. Among them were those of Illinois for 1911.

A KNOCK-OUT FOR JACK JOHNSON.

The case of Jack Johnson, the black pugilist, came in for very decided and vigorous action. The record is as follows;

The sub-committee appointed on 21st December, 1911, to inquire into the actings of Lodge Forfar and Kincardine, Dundee, No. 225, in con-

nection with the initiation of Mr. J. A. Johnson, presented its report. That report embodied the evidence taken by the sub-committee, and after consideration of it grand committee found that it had been amply proved—

(1) That the right worshipful master and Past Master Smith, who were the proposer and seconder of Johnson, knew nothing of him or his qualifications for admission, and that he was not known to any of the brethren voting; (2) that they took the recommendation of the Entered Apprentice M'Laglen, who himself had only been in Dundee for about a week, and about whom, prior to his admission, no enquiry had been made; (3) that the master had some hesitation, but that after advising with Past Masters Smith, Ross, and Low he resolved to proceed with the initiation; (4) that no reason whatever or even valid excuse has been given for the summary change of the hour of meeting from noon to 10 a. m., and that not one of the office-bearers of the lodge have maintained its validity, but, on the contrary, some have admitted that it was probably incompetent; (5) that no proper notice was given to members of the lodge, and that admittedly no notice of the change of hour was given to at least one member who had told the master that he was to object.

Grand committee therefore decided—

1. That the meeting of Lodge Forfar and Kincardine of 13th October, 1911, held at 10 o'clock a. m., was illegal; that all acts done at that meeting should be declared null and void, including the pretended initiation of Mr. J. A. Johnson; and that the lodge be directed to return his fees;

2. That, looking especially to its express approval of these illegal actings contained in the resolution passed by the lodge on 14th November, 1911, prior to the visit of the provincial grand committee, Lodge Forfar and Kincardine be called upon to show cause why it should not be suspended for such time as grand lodge may decide; and

3. That Brother Blues, right worshipful master, and Brothers Smith, Ross, and Low, pastmasters, be called upon to show cause why they should not be suspended for such time as grand lodge may decide in respect of the active part they took in the proceedings in question.

Such a Lodge a Disgrace.

The action following this report is as follows;

1. That Lodge Forfar and Kincardine, Dundee, No. 225, should be suspended from this date until the first day of November, 1913.

2. That Bro. Robert Thomson Blues, right worshipful master of the lodge, should be suspended from all masonic privileges for a period of two years from this date, and that Brothers George Smith, John Ross, and Alexander S. Low, past masters, should each be suspended from all masonic privileges for a period of one year from this date.

Grand committee gave judgment accordingly.

Masonry throughout the world felt disgraced when it was announced that Jack Johnson had been made a mason in staid, conservative, re-

spectable old Scotland. It could scarcely be believed. This sense of shame was not so much because of the man's color, as from the fact that his only distinction was that he was the champion brute of the world. Now that Scotland has purged masonry of this shame and disgrace the members of the craft, the world over, will breathe a sigh of relief.

Scotland granted annuities to 248 needy masons in the sum of £2,745 or about $13,725.

A Riddle to Americans.

It is a most difficult task to extract the matters that are of interest in the proceedings of the grand lodge of Scotland. The New York reviewer most truly says that—

Much space is taken for names and figures of the latter. The "canny Scootsman" is very profuse and precise, though the financial condition is flourishing. The few items of business reported are entirely local and of no general interest.

Their ways are not our ways, nor are their thoughts our thoughts; separation by the great body of water seems to have the effect of changing the nature and general features of doing business, though we are one in heart, and all pressing forward in fraternal union.

Grand master, mason, The Marquess of Tullibardine; grand secretary, David Reid, Edinburgh, 46 Charlotte Square.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1912.

64 Lodges. 28th Annual. 4,424 Members.

The story of masonry in South Australia is attractively told in a neat volume of about 265 pages. An increase in membership of 411 is reported for the year. The 28th annual was held at Adelaide, April 17, 1912. To print the proceedings and have them reach the desk of the Illinois reviewer within so short a time as two months, indicates prompt efficiency on behalf of the grand secretary. At the 55th half-yearly communication it is recorded that "No part of this report to be published publicly without the authority of the grand master." Such a rule would well serve grand lodges not so far away as Australia.

The South Australian brethren give full details of the discussion of questions arising in the grand lodge. The speeches are reported in full. Might it not sometimes be kinder to the speakers merely to record the results?

Grand Master WAY called attention to a lodge at Port Darwin on the northern extremity of the country, 2,000 miles from Adelaide, where the grand lodge is held. Truly this is a country of magnificent distances.

The representative of Illinois was recorded as present.

ELECTED THE 22ND TIME.

At the election for grand master, Bro. SAMUEL JAMES WAY was chosen by a unanimous vote. This was the twenty-second time Brother WAY has been elected to preside over this grand lodge. For five years he was pro grand master. During the twenty-seven years of this grand lodge, this distinguished brother has been either pro grand master or the presiding head. Brother SHRYOCK, of Maryland, has here a real rival for long service and needs to look out for his laurels.

Owing to the growth of masonry the grand master found it necessary to announce a pro grand master to assist the deputy grand master.

Grand Master WAY advises against the incorporation of lodges under the civil law. He says that—

We do not want any official or government interference with masonic matters. We are a secret order and we do not want to do anything that will require us to make reports or expose our affairs to the outside world.

In Illinois both grand and constituent lodges are incorporated by general law. No embarrassment has been felt in consequence.

HAS NO HOME.

The grand secretary shows that twenty-seven indigent masons and widows of masons have received periodical relief from the "benevolent fund," the sum required, being £450 or about $2,250. No other provision seems to have been made for masonic dependents.

The manner of keeping accounts and the style of printing proceedings are very much after the English fashion.

The grand secretary presents a summary of the history of masonry in South Australia and a brief narrative of the province as well. He says that "it was in the year 1803 that we first hear of freemasonry in Australasia and the locality was the then infant city of Sydney, New South Wales."

The report on correspondence is given by a committee of fourteen, each reviewing one or more grand lodges. The grand secretary as a member of the committee presents the following

MASONIC STATISTICS FOR 1911.

	Lodges.	Members.
Great Britain and Ireland	3,200	224,000
Europe (Rest of)	3,000	160,000
Canada	1,250	130,000
United States	14,500	1,500,000
Central America	200	10,000
South America	900	55,000
Australia and New Zealand	900	55,000
Totals	23,950	2,129,000

This does not include Africa and Asia, the figures for which are "not available."

Reviews of various grand lodges are brief but are comprehensive. The report of Illinois comes from the hand of Bro. C. D. HARRIS and occupies about one and one-half pages. The reviewer says that—

A learned and highly interesting, as well as instructive, oration, was given by the grand orator, bearing upon the connection of architecture and masonry. As we cannot reprint it in its entirety, we recommend our brethren to borrow a copy of the report and carefully persuse this very interesting document. Like the whole record of the year's proceedings, the portion devoted to "Correspondence" is carried out in a most complete manner. South Australia is generously treated, although the reviewer returns to the subject of the long tenure of office of our revered grand master. In this connection, we may say that we yield to none in our endeavours to uphold the grand principles and maintain the landmarks, but freely admit a difference in certain directions. Having regard to the long tenure of office, perhaps our views in this direction are influenced by the stable constitution under which our great empire grows and thrives; different countries, different customs; to quote Kipling, "And the crimes of Clapham chaste in Martaban." We differ from the American grand lodges in very many ways, notably in the annual communications; on this side those meetings cost only a few shillings for the temple illuminant; no charges for traveling being claimed by those attending. We do not hold this to be necessarily an improvement, but is mentioned in a purely fraternal way to show that we do not conduct our respective business on similar lines.

MASONRY AND CIVIC TITLES

Our good brother seems somewhat irritated because of the reference to the burden of titles borne by Grand Master WAY. There can be no objection, even in this title-free land, to the multiplicity of civic distinctions. In masonry, however, where brethren "meet upon the level and part upon the square," there can be seen little need of constantly repeating the titles that may be borne and enjoyed in civil life.

Our good brother may be assured that there is no disposition to be unfraternal in calling attention of the Illinois craft to the way things are done in other lands. Brother HARRIS concludes by saying that—

We admire your great republic, we almost envy you your powerful jurisdictions, but we still intend to continue the even tenor of our way. (Samuel J. Way, presumably.)

U.D. and Chartered Lodges.

Under West Virginia the reviewer says—

We should be glad if some correspondent would explain the distinction in America between a chartered lodge and a lodge under dispensation.

In Illinois this means that, during the time between annual sessions of the grand lodge, the grand master may issue a dispensation to a sufficient number of qualified brethren authorizing them to meet as a lodge, confer degrees and transact necessary business incident thereto. Report is made to the succeeding grand lodge session. If the work is satisfactory the grand lodge issues its charter and makes the lodge "under dispensation" a "chartered lodge," bearing a name and number.

Grand master, Samuel J. Way, Adelaide; grand secretary, C. R. J. Glover, Adelaide.

SOUTH CAROLINA—1911.

233 Lodges. 135th Annual. 13,772 Members.

The proceedings of the Palmetto State grand lodge reached the Illinois reviewer March 26, 1912, almost one month sooner than the year before. The meeting was held at Charleston, December 12 and 13, 1911.

The volume of 318 pages is adorned by the likeness of Grand Master Geo. S. Mower, who is at the helm for 1912.

The Illinois representative, John F. Ficken, was present.

The grand master's address was a carefully prepared presentation of the year's work. He says that

The Masonic Creed

Is brief and all-embracing—the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." He then adds—

"Fraternity!

With all the word conveys of want relieved,

Of friendship, help and sympathy, both given and received

Comrades to all the world, we stand, as men full oft have stood,

But pledge, instead of king or state, the bond of brotherhood."

It has been truly said that the masonic institution is "a great fact." It has remained unchanged and unchangeable. "Faithful among the faithless, firm among the faltering, steadfast in its purpose, eternal in its unostentatious devotion." No grander motto could be inscribed upon the altar of masonry than the simple words, "I still live."

Such a glorious inheritance should "prick the sides of our intent," inspire us with greater sincerity in our work, and move us on to nobler deeds. We are masons not for what we get, but for what we may do for others.

Our lodge is an organization of architects. Labor is the keystone of the arch. It behooves us then to be up and doing, for "Art is long, and time is fleeting!"

The death of Past Grand Master JOHN C. SMITH is mentioned.

MUST BE PHYSICALLY PERFECT.

A proposition to change the law of physical qualifications has failed because a three-fourths vote could not be obtained. The new law is almost exactly that of Illinois. The old provision is so strict that the slightest maim or defect makes the candidate ineligible. The grand master urged the change so that "all slightly imperfect physically, but pure morally and who are desirable material" might be received.

A card index, so that a complete record of every member in the state might be kept and be easily accessible, was strenuously urged by the grand master.

Many dipensations were granted. The exceptions almost exceeded the regular order. Yet, the grand master said, "I believe dispensations should be granted only in extreme cases."

No requests were made for permission to send out "begging letters."

A FLOOD OF DECISIONS.

Was poured out on the heads of the defenseless craft. Most of these were mere constructions of the plain letter of the law and added little to the jurisprudence of the grand lodge. One master was upheld in refusing to initiate a man who refused "for sentimental reasons" to remove a ring from his finger. In another case the grand master held that "there is no such thing as a resignation in masonry."

The permanent removal of a senior warden does not create a vacancy. The place must be filled pro tem at each meeting during the year. While the writer served as grand master of Illinois, a lodge had neither master nor warden for the greater part of the year. One was dead and

the others had gone to a far-distant state. A special proxy each time must be sent by the grand master so that the lodge could be opened. Since then provision has been made in this state to fill such vacancies by certifying the facts to the grand master. By dispensation a special election may be held.

No Masonic Home

Has been built in South Carolina. A fund is being accumulated for this purpose but the money comes in slowly. The grand master thinks its construction should wait until it can be built free from debt. In the meantime the aged and indigent, the widow and the orphan must suffer the hardships incident to their condition. The fund amounts to about $60,000. The increase for the year was about $15,000. The committee recommends that the establishment of the home be deferred until the "temple debt" is paid off. From the outside it looks as though a home for the helpless should have preceded a temple for show or even convenience of the craft. However, this is as you like it.

A full page gives the handsome though boyish face of O. Frank Hart, the grand secretary.

Wasting Space.

The committee on distribution uses many valuable pages in reprinting the decisions of the grand master. These are repeated in referring them to the committee on jurisprudence.

The committee on foreign corespondence suggested that a copy of the proceedings be sent to every mason in the state. Owing to the large expense involved it was decided that "a copy of the correspondence report be supplied, free of cost, to any brother who may request it."

The record reads—"the grand lodge was then closed, in short form, on the third degree and opened in like manner on the first degree." The grand lodge officers were then installed and labor resumed in the third degree. The wonder is why it should be necessary to install while the grand lodge is open on the degree of entered apprentice. No doubt there is a reason but it is not apparent so far away.

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Is the second production of P.G.M. J. L. Michie. Our brother proclaims himself a Scotchman. This seems hardly necessary when he introduces his report with the following verse.

"I winna blaw aboot mysel',
As ill I like my faults to tell;
But friends and folk that wish me well,
They sometimes roose me,
Tho' I must own, as many still
As far abuse me."

In his introductory note, Brother MICHIE indicates opposition to Masonic Homes and wants the physical qualification law modified. In neither does the grand lodge agree with the canny Scot.

"ABOOT" ILLINOIS.

Brother MICHIE approves Brother ASHLEY'S long report because "Illinois is the second largest jurisdiction on the American continent and the third largest of the world."

In referring to non-affiliates the reviewer says—"With us an unaffiliate is not in good standing, nor can an affiliate hold any masonic intercourse whatever with a non-affiliate." Thus does South Carolina go the whole way in making the road rough for the shirkers from lodge duties.

He says that "Brother BELL was second to none, both at Philadelphia and Baltimore." That is no news. We know that here where Brother BELL lives, before he went. Referring to the postponement of providing a building as a headquarters for the grand lodge, Brother MICHIE says—"So brethren of Chicago, it is up to you to build a home for the grand lodge. Yours is sometimes called the windy city. Can you, like Jeremy Diddler, 'raise the wind' in this instance?" Chicago could, but it is not expected to do such an ambitious thing. The "windy city" might feel that it owned the grand lodge afterward. It already owns a good many things.

AS ITHERS SEE US.

The Illinois report on correspondence is referred to as "a speech that takes 243 pages to record it." Such a rich and rare subject as the masonic doings of the world requires a long speech.

Regarding the controversy over the negro lodge in New Jersey, the South Carolina reviewer wants to know how many black men are affiliated with lodges of Illinois. None that the writer knows about. And yet it is ventured that every negro who has ever applied for membership in this state has been elected. The colored people of Illinois do not seek admission to our lodges. If they did they probably would find the ballot box a serious obstacle to overcome. However, in other lands where black men have not been forced to be slaves, there are negro masons. This is true in England. Masonic law excludes no man, if free born, on account of color. Legal equality is one thing while social equality is a horse of quite a different hue.

SENTIMENT DEFIED.

Past masters still draw mileage in South Carolina. Though the lodges voted to abolish this expensive luxury, "when the question came

up in grand lodge, the past masters 'went back' on the lodges and defeated the proposed amendment." This was to deprive them of what away up north, looks like a species of graft. The report closes with the following;

We have read Brother Scott's report with a great deal of pleasure; he has a hard task before him, to fill the chair of the deeply lamented Robbins, the foremost masonic student, scholar and writer of his day. Keep "a stoot heart tae a steek brae," Brother Scott.

No one is better aware of the difficulty of occupying (not filling) the place of Brother Robbins than the writer. Being something of a Scot himself, he accepted the task with a "stoot" heart determined if possible to be of some service to the craft, if not reaching the exalted place in the masonic world accorded his great predecessor.

Grand master, Geo. S. Mower, Newberry; grand secretary, O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA—1912.

134 Lodges. 38th Annual. 9,701 Members.

A most interesting account is given of the annual session as held in Deadwood, June 11, 12, 1912. Among the few grand lodges giving the text of the grand chaplain's prayer in opening is South Dakota. Illinois does likewise. Robert Burton is recorded as present and representing our grand lodge.

The grand master records the death of P.G.M. John M. Pearson, of Illinois. It is a little late but our brethren appreciate the mention of so good a man and mason, even if it does come three years after his death.

The grand master found it unnecessary to make decisions. The law covering the points raised, he merely referred the inquirer to it.

Grand Master Brockway commends the Eastern Star as follows;

The Order of the Eastern Star has in many places proven its value many times over by its suggestions and active aid in making lodge rooms and appurtenances what they should be.

During the sessions the grand lodge was called to refreshment and a committee from the grand chapter was received and suitably greeted.

There is a grand charity fund of over $7,000. The grand master suggests that steps should be taken looking to a Masonic Home or some

other plan to care for the needy ones. A committee was appointed to suggest ways and means.

No Longer Young.

That South Dakota is no longer a very young state is seen in the announcement that next year one lodge will be able to celebrate its 50th anniversary. The McKinley-fake-chain-letter still pursues them. It seems as though a fraud has more than the proverbial nine lives of the cat. Grand Orator Montgomery gave a very interesting address.

The committee on jurisprudence makes the following most sensible report when it says that—

We note with commendation the action of the most worshipful grand master in refusing to grant dispensations to advance candidates or ballot on petitions out of time.

It is the opinion of your committee that no dispensation should be granted for conferring degrees out of time when the brother is removing to the jurisdiction of another lodge when he can receive the degrees in regular manner, but in no case should the required examination for proficiency be waived.

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Was written by P.G.M. Samuel A. Brown. He accords to Grand Secretary Pettigrew credit for printing a thumb-nail photo of each grand secretary at the upper left hand corner of the review of his grand lodge. This is a unique feature and is appreciated by those who would know what manner of men keep the records of masonic grand bodies. Brother Brown says of Brother Ashley's report that it is "very concise and clear."

The South Dakota reviewer pounces upon the incidental statement made by Grand Master Ashley that "he is not affiliated with any church and does not claim to be specially religious." Brother Brown holds this up as the unpardonable sin and exclaims "Pity 'tis, 'tis true." What Brother Ashley really said is this—"Not being affiliated with any church, nor claiming to be specially religious, my suggestions cannot be construed as resulting from over zeal for the church and its cause." Our South Dakota critic entirely ignores the superb tribute Brother Ashley paid to the church and to religion. By a garbled sentence, he strains at a gnat and swallows an elephant. Grand Master Ashley's reference to his own personal relation was to divest his exaltation of the church and religion from any suspicion of its emanation from a church crank or a religious fanatic. Almost all over the masonic world the reviewers have copied Brother Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" with heartiest approval. Our South Dakota brother appears to be almost, if not the only, fault-finder.

Misses the Real Reason.

Our good Brother Brown is much perturbed over the attitude of Grand Master Bell and the Illinois grand lodge in holding that a masonic lodge cannot attend church in a body as masons, wearing masonic clothing. He makes this astonishing statement.

In the west there has of late years been a growing disposition amongst masons who have reached the high office of grand master, to assume, without proof, that a brother who goes to church in the clothing of a mason, is without question a hypocrite. That his object in going to church in that manner is an unworthy object. That instead of his motive being that of God's worship, his plain and indispensable duty, it is "to make a holy show of himself." That the brethren who do attend at such times are those who never attend church at any other time.

As to the truth of the foregoing statement the writer must be shown before he can accept it. Many grand lodges hold with Illinois on this question. Not one has even hinted at the reason given by Brother Brown. The objection to lodges as such attending church is fundamental. While masonry is intensely religious it bars sectarianism. It accepts the bible as its great light. It demands faith in God and teaches the immortality of the soul. It accepts the coming Christ and teaches of the "lion of the tribe of Judah." In all this, it is broadly religious. However, it prohibits lodges from plunging into strife and discord by taking their members to worship where the sectarian tenets of individual churches are taught. Not that masons going to church with their lodges are "hypocrites," but that confusion is avoided by encouraging them to worship as individuals.

The golden rule for masonic lodges is—"never appear in public except in the performance of a masonic duty." Brother Brown occupies many pages of his review in argument on this question. It is not possible, for want of space and other considerations, to follow him in all he says.

The proceedings of the 12th annual session of the "Masonic Veterans' Association" finds a proper place in the grand lodge report. This association appears to be in a most prosperous condition. It shows a balance in the treasury of $339.41. There are 217 active and six honorary members. One of the actives is Bro. Wiley Smith, who retains his membership in Princeton lodge of Illinois.

Grand master, Wm. J. McMakin, Terraville; grand secretary, Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls.

TASMANIA—1911.

30 Lodges. 20th Annual. 1,445 Members.

One of the few grand lodges, the proceedings of which have failed to reach the table of the Illinois reviewer is Tasmania. It is a little country, being a small island adjacent to Australia and, therefore, of limited possibilities.

The semi-annual meeting for August, 1910, was held at Hobart. The grand master was absent. He was at Sydney at the installation of the grand master of New South Wales. His address was presented by M.W. Bro. Sadler, the pro grand master.

At the annual held February, 1911, the grand master presided. He expressed regret that the grand lodges of Australasia had not presented a united address to the king upon his coronation. As King George is not a mason, little reason can be seen why a fraternal body should join in the civic ceremonies incident to his induction into office.

The True Aim of Masonry.

The grand master expressed his satisfaction at the accumulation of grand lodge funds. These now amount to £3,500 or about $17,500. Grand Master Davies suggested that the brethren of Tasmania were scarcely measuring up to their opportunity in blessing humanity. He concludes by quoting these words.

Let us unite and labour to advance the principles of our beneficial order; let charity fill our hearts; let fraternity mould our actions; let us live the lives of true masons, until masonry and its blessed influence shall permeate every worldly home. Let the hills sing to the valleys and the rivers to the lakes an anthem of brotherly love. While there is a life to lose, while there is a heart to ache, while there is a body to suffer, while there is a widow to mourn, while there is an orphan to clothe, let us be vigilant. Then as the dew falls from the eyelids of the morning to moisten the lips of the roses, shall there pour forth from our beloved order perpetual showers of blessings upon humanity.

Grand Master C. E. Davies was re-elected for his sixteenth year.

Grand master, C. E. Davies; grand secretary, John Hamilton, Hobart.

TENNESSEE—1912.

452 Lodges. 98th Annual. 25,587 Members.

That masonry with our southern neighbor is growing in a most healthy and approved way is shown by the volume of proceedings of the grand lodge session, beginning January 31, 1912. A net gain in membership of 787 appears. Illinois was represented by its regular ambassador, Americus V. Warr.

In his annual address Grand Master Rison congratulates "the grand lodge on the high standard of its subordinate lodges," because of their careful selection of material. "Quality not quantity, being the motto observed, men of doubtful probity are being excluded." He notes that not a death has occurred among grand or past grand officers during the year.

The Widows' and Orphans' Home

Was found to be doing an excellent work but was in sore need of money to make essential repairs and improvements. He made an appeal to lodges for assistance. The first effort produced some $2,000 but the grand master was not willing that so many lodges should fail or neglect to meet their responsibility. A second appeal went to the delinquents. The total secured was more than $3,300, enough to meet the wants of the Home. The grand master says "This was the third Masonic Home for widows and orphans built in this country and its success has no parallel." Yet, on account of the age, the buildings and equipment were not up to present day needs and requirements. As usual the Eastern Star was shown to have been busy. They reported $1,161.22 raised toward the construction of an infirmary. They propose to duplicate this amount during the present year.

This Home has finished twenty years of its work. "During that time 476 widows and orphans have been sheltered, clothed and educated within its walls." The grand master touched a tender spot when he called attention to the want of any provision for the aged and helpless mason. He recommended that steps be taken for what he called an old mason's Home." The cost per capita, per annum, of the present Home was shown to be for 1910, $97.42 and for 1911, $93.56. How can their 143 "residents" be kept at such small cost considering the present very high prices of living?

A rather unusual scene is presented in a picture showing a company of masons, some on the bank of a stream and others on a log over a river. Grand Master Rison is shown in the act of baptizing "the trav-

eling silver trowel" in the Mississippi river at Memphis, May 22, 1911. Statement is not made as to whether or not the trowel was soundly converted before it was immersed.

Official Rulings.

The grand master tells how he had concluded before his installation not to report any of his decisions. He fell sadly from grace, however, when in office. Five printed pages are used in giving his rulings, most of which he says "could have been answered by reference to the Text Book and Code, or the rulings of other grand masters." The ever present question of physical qualifications cropped out in many decisions. These the grand master answered by reference to the "edicts" in force.

It appears that "one lunar month shall elapse between the conferring of the respective degrees?" Why "lunar month?" What has the moon to do with masonic progress? In fact why should any fixed time be required to elapse after an entered apprentice or fellow craft is able to pass a satisfactory examination in the preceding degree? In one of the questions he alludes to the secret ballot "or by I's and No's." Here is something new not only in masonry but in parliamentary practice. The "ayes and noes" or the "yeas and nays" are not unknown to deliberative bodies. In one case the grand master held that, where a member had committed murder and had forfeited his bond and left the country, notice preliminary to a trial could be given by publication in a newspaper. Why not mail notice to his last known post office address? Advertising masonic matters in newspapers is a most questionable proceeding.

Tennessee law provides that where officers of a lodge are re-elected they do not need to be reinstalled. How can the record be made to show the ending and beginning of the two terms? This might be important in case of a treasurer giving bonds. Other conditions might arise where it would be important to know when the old term of service ended and the new began.

In a tabular statement of the dead of other jurisdictions note is made of the passing of our late P.G.M., John C. Smith.

Grand Secretary Garrett makes a model report. He makes no comments but clearly and simply reports the facts and statistics of his office.

Tie Their Own Hands.

The law is that "no committee of this grand lodge shall consider any matter pertaining to the business of the grand lodge unless the same shall have been filed with the grand secretary at least five days before the meeting of the grand lodge." It would appear to one at a distance

that such a rule would be pretty hard to follow. Many important matters arise during the session of a grand lodge. These often need immediate consideration. Why should a grand lodge thus tie its hands behind its back?

The 100th anniversary of the grand lodge of Tennessee comes December 27, 1913. A committee was named to prepare for a suitable celebration of this centennial.

The committee on jurisprudence held that any act of the grand master reaching into the term of his successor needed an act of the grand lodge or grand master to validate it. This is a doubtful decision. There is no interregnum in the office of grand master. The person who fills it is only the instrument though which executive actions are put in motion. In case of the death of the man filling the office of grand master the law immediately supplies another. There can be no vacancy. The authority of the grand east is continuous.

It was held that a dispensation, issued in January to install officers in February, after there had been a change in the person who held the office, required a new authority from the new grand master. Why? The grand master who issued the dispensation in January simply gave the authority of the grand lodge. This could not cease because SMITH was no longer the agent of the grand lodge and JONES had become the name of his successor. The mere change of persons does not effect the authority granted by the grand lodge.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Of grand lodges covers but sixty-two pages. It is written by Bro. HENRY A. CHAMBERS, chairman of the committee.

Recognition of York Grand Lodge of Mexico was withheld on account of the mixed condition of masonic affairs in that country. Commenting on the relation of masonry to the bible the Tennessee correspondent says—"In short masons in all Protestant Christian countries regard the bible as the sacred book that constitutes one of the absolutely necessary great lights." He then adds—

And while not specially on the bible, the remarks of Grand Master Ashley and Grand Orator Wilson on masonry and religion quoted by us in the review of Illinois herein, are forceful, appropriate and worth reading.

Illinois for 1911 is under review. Brother ASHLEY'S "Masonry and Religion" is given complete. The big lodges from the introductory of the Illinois report for 1911 were quoted in full.

Grand master, J. LYNN BACHMAN, Sweetwater; grand secretary, JOHN B. GARRETT, Nashville.

TEXAS—1911.

833 Lodges. 76th Annual. 53,190 Members.

Big Texas. Big in territory. Big in possibilities. Big in its big men. Big in everything. The volume of proceedngs for 1911 is the biggest ever. Think of it! 784 pages. It took 240 pages to tell the story of work done, as recorded in the three-day session, held at Waco, December 5, 6, 7, 1911. The returns of lodges filled 412 pages. The report on correspondence only got 120 pages and the index 12.

The handsome face of Grand Master Walter Acker is the eye-opener for the big book. The picture of B. F. Frymeier, grand master in 1894, follows.

Two special communications are recorded. The one was on December 12, 1910, to lay the corner stone of the "Home for Aged Masons" at Arlington. The other was on October 3, 1911, to dedicate the same.

For Aged Masons.

This home is a building of seventy rooms, three stories high, of brick and concrete and is modern in all its arrangements. It was erected by the "Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas" and is controlled by the grand chapter. Usually the grand lodge leads in providing for dependents and in fact generally has a monopoly of this good work. It looks well to see the royal arch masons take a hand in this great beneficence.

The record does not show the Illinois representative present at the annual communication.

A resolution was adopted inviting all master masons in good standing to attend the annual session as visitors. Illinois puts the right to visit in its by-laws and makes this permanent.

The Annual Address

Of the grand master is able and comprehensive. Brother Acker says "that masons should worry and write less about what constitute the 'ancient landmarks' and believe and live the three essential landmarks—faith in God, hope in immortality and the daily application of the golden rule." He says—

God is our Father, man is a brother, the earth is our mother. Life is a mission and not a career. Knightship is service, his sceptre is gladness. The least is the greatest. Saving is dying—giving is living. Life is eternal and love is its essence.

Further—

The mission that masonry has to fulfill is to increase the happiness and to mitigate the sorrows of mankind and to the fulfillment of this high mission the "sons of light" stand pledged, and to this end they should labor earnestly as long as there is human misery and human suffering in the world, as long as the orphan's cry is heard in the land.

Under "Fallen Asleep" the death of our own past grand master, JOHN C. SMITH, is recorded.

A little ruction between Texas and Missouri over jurisdiction has served to disturb the tranquil waters of harmony between these good, grand lodges.

DISPENSATIONS GALORE

Were granted by the grand master. These were singularly free from criticism. All appear to have been pursuant to Texas law and mainly for excellent purposes. To lay corner-stones, twenty-six were required. Two of these found the grand master in charge and the purpose is given "to level the cornerstone." When a proxy serves the grand master, he "lays" the stone. The grand master "levels." Here is a distinction. Is there a difference?

To hold memorial services lodges were authorized in two instances. Dispensations to confer degrees "out of time" were refused in all cases, except one. This was where a missionary to Korea had petitioned and expected to have ample time in regular course. The body, under whose auspices he was to go, changed plans and required him to depart at once.

The grand master refused to permit the masons of San Antonio to lay the corner-stone of a club house. He insisted that masons could only officiate at buildings of "undoubted masonic, public or sacred character." The club was a private institution and was not given the advertising of masonic ceremonies in laying the corner-stone. He also refused permission to hold post burial services over the grave of a brother.

Requests for permission to appeal to lodges for donations to erect masonic buildings and to assist lodges to care for their dependents were refused in all cases.

A MASONIC SUPREME COURT.

The grand master, sitting as the masonic supreme court of the state, declared an enactment of the grand lodge unconstitutional, refused to permit its enforcement and so reported to the grand lodge.

The city of Texarkana is partly in Texas and partly in Arkansas. The grand lodge passed a resolution to waive jurisdiction over all persons living in Texas who might desire to unite with a lodge in the same city but located over the line in Arkansas. The grand master held that

this waiver could only be given by the lodges, because the constitution guaranteed them this right. It looks at this distance much as though the decision of the masonic supreme court of Texas was right and that the action of the grand lodge was void. He held that "the jurisdiction given by the constitution cannot be set aside by a resolution of the grand lodge. It seems that the only way this matter can be reached would be to change the constitution."

There were thirty decisions reported. Few of these are of any special interest outside of Texas.

It appears that the anachronism of requiring a ballot for each degree still remains in the "Lone Star" grand lodge. In one decision the grand master holds that an entered apprentice who is refused advancement can not petition again for twelve months.

It was decided that objection could not be made to the visit of a mason who was serving as district deputy grand master. Being an installed officer of the grand lodge he could visit officially or otherwise regardless of objections.

Closes Itself at Midnight.

The law of Texas, like that of Illinois, prohibits lodges from meeting or doing any kind of work, except conducting funeral services, on Sunday—the Christian Sabbath. The grand master held an election of officers at 3 o'clock Sunday morning illegal and void. The lodge closed "itself by operation of law at midnight. The old officers must hold over another year."

It was held that a lodge could not place a "masonic window" in a church building because "the ostentatious display of masonic emblems is contrary to the spirit of freemasonry. The grand master then adds that—

Freemasonry needs no advertisement whatever. The best advertisement it can have is for its members to conform to the teachings and principles of the order and without ostentation or display exemplify in their daily walk and intercourse with their fellow men the great masonic doctrine of charity and benevolence.

Sound to the core, Brother Acker.

It took a pretty stiff argument by the grand master to secure a change from "perpetual" to "five-year" jurisdiction, but it was done.

The Masonic Home

Maintained by the grand lodge is now exclusively for orphans. The grand chapter, R.A.M., as noted heretofore, is providing for the care of aged and dependent masons, their wives and widows. The grand master refers to the Orphans' Home as "a living monument of the sin-

cerity of our profession as masons." And so it really is. The finances of the Home are in excellent condition. The Eastern Star ladies are given full credit for their active interest in making the children happy and contented. At Christmas time these "Stars" shine with greatest luster.

There are reported, 116 girls and 96 boys, a total of 212. The per capita cost of the Home is given as $159.76 and that of the school $17, making a total annual cost for each person of $176.76.

A Model Report

Is that of the grand secretary, John Watson. He gives membership, number of lodges and total receipts for the year in precisely twenty-seven lines of the printed proceedings. This includes heading and signature and all. Truly our brother emphasizes the fact that to others must be left everything but the barest facts and figures. This is in marked contrast with many grand secretaries who try to philosophize, symbolize and theorize and do everything but recordize.

The grand orator, Bro. J. P. Lightfoot, delivered a thoughtful address on "The Lost Word." One paragraph will serve to indicate its excellence. He says that—

> The fundamental principle underlying the masonic fraternity is a belief in the existence of God, the brotherhood of man and the immortality of the human soul. The supreme object of speculative masonry is to inculcate these truths, for in them lie the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, of human progress, civilization and destiny.

Bro. Frank Rainey was, by resolution, made a life member of the grand lodge as a reward for faithful service rendered at the Widows' and Orphans' Home.

Teaches the Church a Lesson.

The grand lodge by the committee on grand officers reports heartily endorsed the action of the grand master in refusing "to lay the corner-stone of a new brick building on the Sabbath, even though it was a church building." Masonry thus gives the church a lesson on Sabbath observance by declining to work on that day.

Judging by the seal printed to attest the proceedings, the arrangement of the points of the compasses indicates a grand lodge of fellow crafts rather than of master masons.

The Review of Grand Lodges

Comes from the hand of the venerable past grand master, Thomas M. Matthews, Sr., who was too feeble to attend the annual session. The review is able and exhaustive. The reference to Illinois is as follows;

When Bro. J. H. C. Dill, some years ago, was the grand secretary, he was always very prompt and expeditious in getting out the proceedings, rarely more than ten days after the close of the grand lodge, and knowing that the grand lodge of Texas would convene within some six weeks, he always sent us, direct, his earliest copy. In this way we were able to prepare, at least, a hurried notice of the volume in time for our forthcoming report. Bro. Isaac Cutter, who superseded Brother Dill, for the first two or three years did the same. But of late it appears to take him longer to get the volume ready, so that it does not any more reach us in time, and it has to be laid by for a year. It appears, however, that the report of Bro. Owen Scott on "correspondence" is printed, and ready for distribution, before the grand lodge assembles. Last year he kindly sent us an advance copy, which we reviewed, and the article appeared in our report; but as the proceedings proper did not reach us, there was no notice of them. The same thing has occurred again. We have Brother Scott's report, but the volume of proceedings still lags. We do not like to make another partial review and have concluded, believing it will be better so, to let the whole matter lie over another year, and review the whole together, and so we make this explanation.

Quicker than Texas.

The Illinois grand lodge closed October 12, 1911, and a complete copy of the proceedings reached the table of the writer November 11. This was a little less than thirty days. Our Texas brother should bear in mind that it is no small task to prepare and produce a book giving the annual proceedings of a grand lodge with 110,000 masons. Brother Cutter lets no vegetation grow under his feet in the business of our grand lodge.

To record the business of 53,000 Texas masons it took the grand secretary seventy days to do what our grand secretary did for more than twice as many masons in a little less than thirty days.

However, it is to be regretted that we cannot have the benefit of the review of our proceedings until more than a year has passed.

Grand master, Sam P. Cochran, Dallas; grand secretary, John Watson, Waco.

UTAH—1912.

17 Lodges. 41st Annual. 1,984 Members.

It takes 210 pages to record the doings of the masonic fraternity in this mountain state in its two days annual session at Salt Lake City, January 16, 17, 1912. A gain of 204 members and two lodges show healthy growth. The book opens with a picture and biographical sketch of Sam. H. Goodwin, grand master for the current year.

The presence of fifteen past grand masters, and five past grand wardens shows the continuing interest of the masonic leaders when their official obligations are ended.

The representative of Illinois was present.

The address of Grand Master Proutz opens with this significant statement.

Forty years ago tomorrow this body came into existence through the heroic endeavors of a small band of noble spirits, who had for years previous been struggling to set up in this then wilderness the standard of masonry, and teach that liberty of conscience and right living for which it stands. We, of this generation, can scarcely realize what that struggle meant, and the trials that that brave band of patriots encountered before they succeeded in bringing their fondest desires to fruition.

This means much more of struggle than if it came from a state less beset with evils that undermine the foundation of social order.

Only Two Left.

The presence is noted of two of the organizers of the grand lodge. One of these is the venerable Christopher Diehl who has been grand secretary during the entire existence of the grand lodge, except a few months at the beginning. Brother Diehl is eighty-one years old and in feeble health. He refers to his report as his "Swan Song" but the grand lodge looked at it in a different way and re-elected him by a unanimous vote. The other original member of the grand lodge present was Louis Cohn, the oldest living past grand master.

But three decisions are reported. These are of purely local significance. On this subject the grand master quoted a wise saying of Grand Master Shryock, of Maryland. In the twenty odd years of service Brother Shryock has "not been called upon to make a single masonic decision of any kind or character."

Must Know the Law.

He then adds—

This is simply because the masters know the law, and know that it must be obeyed. This condition has been made possible by the grand lodge when it enacted the resolution that before a master-elect could be installed as master of the lodge, he must pass a rigid examination as to his ability to confer the three degrees of masonry in full and ample form; and in addition, must pass a satisfactory examination as to the law of the grand lodge for the government of lodges.

It is possible that a brother may be "letter perfect" in the work, and yet be utterly ignorant and positively stupid in the laws, usages and regulations of the craft. Illinois can well afford to copy from Maryland in this particular.

Hits Smokers Hard.

Grand Master Pfoutz hits the bull's eye on another matter. He says that—

I have noticed in a very few of our lodges that the habit of smoking during the meetings is growing. Certainly no mason will disagree with me when I make the statement that smoking is absolutely out of place in a masonic lodge during work. I make no recommendation; all I ask is that our brethren consider the proprieties.

This is well put. No need of law, just gentlemanly proprieties—that is all. Many tobacco users become inordinarly selfish. They would for their own gratification deprive some other members of the privileges of the lodge room. In many cases masons keep away from meetings, where smoking is allowed, because they are made sick by the fumes of tobacco. If the "proprieties" are not sufficient, the law should step in and compel those who think more of tobacco than the well-being and comfort of any one brother to retire from the lodge room to smoke.

A communication was received from the newly organized grand chapter of R.A.M. of Utah, informing the grand lodge of its existence. No particular reason appears why this notice should have been sent. There is no official connection between a grand lodge of masons and a grand chapter. However, the communication was courteously received, as it might as properly have been from the grand encampment of the Odd Fellows.

Must Produce the Documents.

The following standing resolution was adopted.

No visiting brother shall be permitted to visit a lodge in this grand jurisdiction unless he can and does produce written evidence, under the seal of his lodge, that he is in good standing, and said evidence must be attested by the grand secretary's signature and the seal of the grand lodge under which the lodge of the visitor is working; excepting that it shall not be necessary to have such evidence, so attested by the grand

secretary, when the visitor comes from a jurisdiction where this is not required.

This is but one more reason for a uniform, attested document showing good standing in a lodge and that the lodge is regular.

The committee on grievances and appeals follows the course pursued in our grand lodge and omits in the published report the names of persons who are under discipline.

A portrait was presented of KIT CARSON, "the famous scout, guide, soldier and frontiersman." CHRISTOPHER (KIT) CARSON was a member of Montezuma Lodge No. 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Comes from the skilled hand of the masonic patriarch, CHRISTOPHER DIEHL. This is his thirty-sixth production. He closes with these words, "I do not believe that I ever will be able to write another report on correspondence and I do wish the officers and members of the grand lodge would consider this my last one." But they did not.

Brother DIEHL refers to the report of Grand Master ASHLEY as a "comprehensive exhibit of the doings at the close of a successful administration." He further says that—

> The committee on obituary pays a beautiful tribute of love and affection to the illustrious brother, John Corson Smith. He was, indeed, a great mason, and to the writer an ever dear friend. He reached a good old age and has earned the rest that has come to him. May his last sleep never be disturbed by an unpleasant dream.

Referring to the fact that Maryland does not pay mileage and per diem to representatives of lodges, Brother DIEHL adds—

> Utah is another jurisdiction that does not pay mileage and per diem, and still it is but very seldom that not every one of our lodges is represented at each communication.

Were there 800 lodges in Utah instead of 17, there would probably be a mileage and per diem account as in most other grand lodges.

The reviewer notes that the present grand master of Illinois is the son of "ALEXANDER DARRAH, grand master in 1870." Not so early as that. His service was for 1885 and 1886.

Grand master, SAM H. GOODWIN, Provo; grand secretary, CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT—1912.

103 Lodges. 119th Annual. 13,443 Members.

At Burlington June 12 and 13, 1912, the grand lodge of the Green Mountain State was held. The proceedings came in good time and are a model of neatness and good printing. The cover is the correct light blue with so little printed on it that you can read what it says. The book opens with a bishop-looking picture of Grand Master Ballou. A biographical sketch follows. The representative of Illinois was not recorded as present.

The grand master's address is an able document, as the following extract will indicate.

By its symbolism, its constant reiteration of the great spiritual truths in its ritual and charges, masonry has been working most profoundly, though silently to the outside world, in bringing a better day for our commonwealth. As quietly and as powerfully it has worked on the hearts of its votaries as have the mighty forces of nature that brought the spring and the summer out of the winter. The results have been most marked though the agency has been hidden. The unloosing of ice-streams, the banishment of snow and cold, the bursting out of pastures and forests and fields into green, the clothing of gardens and orchards with blossoms, are some of the brilliant results of springtime; but the cause and beginning have not attracted attention. It is in the silent sunbeam and the gentle caress of the south wind. It is hidden among the silent forces, as quiet and unobtrustive as the breath of a child.

So our lodges have been quietly at work, the rough ashlars becoming perfect ashlars, polished and prepared for the temple beautiful. Character has been developed to an extent little realized by the uninitiated. From our lodge meetings the brethren have gone forth to affect society profoundly. Like all sublime achievements and important results, strength has been conceived in the brooding places of silence. The greatest tornado that ever swept over the sea was insignificant compared to the power over the ocean's depths exercised by the silent, unheralded influence of the moonbeams that lift millions of tons of water from the bed of the sea and hurls it along the shores of the continents. Thus has been the influence of masonry. It is silent, nevertheless it worketh like the leaven in the lump and the moonbeam on the tide and its power for good is felt in every department of our civic life.

Masonic Gain Over Population.

Grand Master Ballou says that "the population of Vermont has made but little gain in the last forty years, having increased but 25,000 or less than 8 percent." He says that the masonic increase has been 64 percent and in the last decade the membership has grown 26 percent. Last year more work was done than in any other one of the 119 years

of the history of the grand lodge. He says, "We are the strongest masonic jurisdiction in our country, with the exception of Maine, in proportion to our inhabitants, and we are gaining on our brethren of the Pine Tree State."

Only two decisions were reported and these are of local interest only. The grand master took a turn at shaking up representatives of other grand lodges. On his recommendation some dead timber was cut out and live ones put in their places. All the states should do this. Representation between grand lodges should be made to mean something, otherwise abolish it.

That the temple debt is pretty well out of the way the grand master suggested that steps be taken for a Masonic Home or some other method of caring for dependents. One hundred and nineteen years is a pretty long time for a distressed worthy brother to wait for relief. The day of costly, showy temples and no homes for the needy is rapidly drawing to a close.

Versatile Grand Secretary.

The grand secretary takes a hand in discussing things. In his report he says that harmony is found in plenty. He then adds—

That this is not the quiet of inactivity or sloth is shown by the fact that in no single year since masonry gained a foothold in Vermont have so many masons been raised as during the past twelve months. This must be a trifle discouraging to our misguided friends, the enemy who have undertaken the task of destroying masonry. Like the rock of Sisyphus, the greater the height to which it is rolled, the greater momentum with which it returns to its starting point and goes beyond.

Well said. A grand secretary who can thus moralize and philosophize can do other izing. He should be made assistant grand master, for he writes so much like one. He further "grand masterizes" by reporting his numerous visits to lodges but generously admits that these are "no part of the duties of a grand secretary." Then why burden your report with them? Aside from a few other dissertations on aprons and other things, the grand secretary's report is a very concise and useful document.

Grand Masters Have Limitations.

The committee on jurisprudence found a few things that the grand master had no authority to do.

One of these was to grant a dispensation permitting a lodge to "work the third degree under the Massachusetts ritual."

Another was to authorize a lodge to "open a regular communication at 7 o'clock p. m., the hour for the opening of regular meetings of such

lodge being fixed in its by-laws at 7:30 p. m." The committee adds that the grand master has no power to amend or set aside the by-laws of a lodge by dispensation. Very correct. The grand lodge approves. There are entirely too many laws made by grand masters by decisions and dispensations. The by-laws of both grand and constituent lodges should be held valid until changed in the legal way.

Porto Rico was recognized as recommended by the committee on correspondence. The grand lodge refused to comply with a request that the congress of the United States be asked to admit Porto Ricans to full American citizenship. The committee advised "keeping clear and free of any and all political entanglements."

The report on obituaries included recognition of the worth and service of Bro. Charles Fisher, P.D.G.M., of Illinois, and a faithful mason for more than sixty-three years.

P.G.M. Marsh O. Perkins writes the

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The work is well done. He says that—

"The address of Grand Master Albert B. Ashley is a concise, dignified, well-digested paper, reflecting eminent ability in the discharge of official duties and lofty conception of masonic ideal."

Brother Perkins, in referring to the dedication of the Orphans' Home at LaGrange quotes a verse from the poem of Mrs. Alice J. Whitney. Brother Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" is given and designated as "sound preachment."

Brother Perkins mis-read the action of our grand lodge. He says that non-affiliates are denied "even the right of applying for affiliation after a lapse of twelve months—a kind of 'progressive masonry,' with which we have no sympathy." Not so. The Illinois law says "that the holder of a dimit may at any time, even after the expiration of one year, petition for affiliation, and if rejected shall be considered in good standing in the fraternity for one year from the date of his last rejection and no longer."

The orations of Bro. W. W. Wilson, both in grand lodge and at the dedication of the Home, were pronounced scholarly and well worth reading.

The reviewer approves the reference in the Illinois report for 1911 of big lodges. Also approvingly he quotes the references to the proper relation of the Scottish Rite to ancient craft masonry, that opposing one term for the grand master, and the reference to the Iowa platform of recognition.

Would Lay Corner-Stones of Churches.

Under Indiana he says—

As we write, we can look out upon a church building, the corner-stone of which was placed with masonic ceremonies, a century and more ago, evidence sufficient for us that the usage of today is but a proper continuance of "the ancient usages and customs of the Craft," close to the line of the landmarks freemasons are charged to preserve. We cordially agree with him anent free passes to ministers, or to "butchers, bakers and candlestick makers."

This was in consequence of the grand master of Indiana declining to lay the corner-stone of a church.

Referring to the refusal of the three grand lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland to give a free hand in forming new grand lodges in the British provinces, Brother Perkins very pertinently says—

Until the famous or infamous tripartite agreement with England and Scotland a few years ago, the grand body (Ireland) was the most liberal, as it is now the most sympathetic of the mother grand lodges in recognition of masonic home rule in the Australasian colonies.

Vermont introduces a novelty. Two pages are given to the calendar for the years 1913 and 1914, showing the date of the full moon in each month. Many of the yankee lodges must meet in the moon.

Grand master, Eugene S. Weston, New Haven; grand secretary, Henry H. Ross, Burlington.

VICTORIA—1911.

197 Lodges. Meetings Quarterly. 11,728 Members.

No annual meeting is held. Membership is taken from March quarterly, 1911. Gain for the year 457. The correct name is "The United Grand Lodge A.F.A. Masons of Victoria, Australia." A pamphlet of ninety-six pages, with no effort at adornment or attractiveness in the printer's art, records the doings of the grand lodge in its four quarterly meetings held in March, June, September and December, 1911. The method of business and the recording of the same are distinctively English in all particulars.

The address of the grand master shows intimate knowledge of the affairs of the grand lodge. Usually in British and provincial bodies the grand master is merely an ornament to be exploited on show occasions.

The real work is under the control of the pro grand master who communicates his doings to the grand lodge. Grand Master CARMICHAEL appears as the exception. He reports increase in funds as well as in membership. The freemasons' hall has a debt to carry. It was reduced £2,000 or $10,000, leaving the balance to be paid £16,000 or $80,000.

TO RETURN TO SCOTLAND.

The grand master expressed regret that he was so soon to leave, having been recalled as governor general of the province. Notwithstanding his early return to Scotland, Brother CARMICHAEL was re-elected as grand master for one year at the meeting in March.

The record notes the resignation of Bro. R. T. SPENCER as the representative of Victoria near Illinois and the appointment of Bro. JASON R. LEWIS.

A farewell banquet was given May 15 to Grand Master CARMICHAEL before his departure. An address to King GEORGE was prepared and given to the grand master to be presented to the king on his return. As GEORGE V. is not a mason the necessity, or even propriety, of a grand lodge of masons sending him a communication is scarcely recognizable.

QUEENSLAND MUST WAIT.

An effort was made to recognize the grand lodge of Queensland. After much discussion it was agreed that this action might complicate the situation with the English, Scottish and Irish grand lodges. These have a tri-partite agreement that a three-fourths vote shall be necessary in each before the others will recognize a provincial grand lodge. Though Queensland had started with 42 lodges seven years before and had been doing excellent work as a sovereign masonic body the formal recognition of the three mother grand lodges had been withheld. About 50 grand lodges in America and elsewhere have put Queensland on the accredited list. The big three of the British Isles should go and do likewise. The law was amended so as to give the grand master power to require lodges to conform to a uniform ritual, such as might be prescribed by the grand lodge.

GRAND MASTER CREATED NOT ELECTED.

At the December meeting a new grand master was created. He was not elected. The pro grand master nominated Rev. Bro. ALBERT T. HOLDEN. There was no other presented and the pro grand master declared him elected. No vote was taken and it was announced that no election had ever been held for grand master. They are merely de-

clared to be "grand master-designate." As there is no line of promotion it must require a considerable amount of harmonizing to secure such continued concord. Brother HOLDEN was left to be installed at the March meeting, 1912.

There is no review of grand lodges made or published.

Grand master, ALBERT T. HOLDEN; grand secretary, CHAS. J. BARROW, 25 Collins St., Melbourne.

VIRGINIA—1912.

321 LODGES. 134TH ANNUAL. 22,698 MEMBERS.

The familiar face of Grand Master W. L. ANDREWS is the greeting of the opening pages. It was the delight of the grand lodge of Illinois to receive Brother ANDREWS and listen to his wise words one year ago. He was then deputy grand master, but has now ascended "the throne." It was the great pleasure of the writer to escort Brother ANDREWS in the visit of our grand lodge to the home at LaGrange last October. On that occasion he spoke encouragingly of the work Illinois is doing. Brother ANDREWS represents Illinois in the grand lodge of the "Old Dominion."

The annual was held at Richmond, February 13-15, 1912. Grand Master MCCHESNEY presented a brief report of his year's work. He says that "we are as ritualists in a better condition than ever before. Interest is growing still and the work in lodges is being done with an enthusiasm that can but bring perfection." He regretted the necessity for making a call for aid for the masonic home but adds that "the response shows that charity is still alive and active." In referring to a meeting of Alexandria Washington lodge Brother MCCHESNEY says that "His excellency, Bro. WILLIAM H. TAFT, was an honored guest." "His excellency" is obsolete. He is Mr. President and the "executive mansion" has become simply "the white house." "The mother of presidents" should know that a man holding the presidency is simply a brother when he meets upon the level with his brethren in the lodge room.

The appointment is reported of Bro. FRANK W. BURTON as the representative of Virginia near Illinois.

Brother McChesney holds dispensations down to actual necessities. Every time a man contemplates a visit to the next county, he is not permitted to have the hurry-up machinery of the lodge put in motion by the grand master.

Ten decisions were reported and all approved except one.

Could Pay Dues Until Lodge Closed.

In this case a man was cited to pay dues or be suspended. Before he arrived, the lodge had acted and he was suspended. He appeared in the ante-room during the lodge session and asked reinstatement. They restored him to the rights and privileges of masonry, but refused to allow him to regain his membership in the lodge. The grand master set aside the action of the lodge and ordered that he be suspended from all the rights and privileges of masonry as well as from lodge membership. The grand lodge reversed this decision and held that the tender of dues "being made during the session made it the plain duty of the master to order his secretary to make no minute of the suspension." This means that a brother cited to pay dues at any time during the meeting at which he is called to appear. There were but eight members present. It looked like five of them wanted to be rid of the brother. Snap judgment rarely works in masonry. The grand master taught a church that masonry believes in and practices the observance of the Sabbath day. He declined to permit the laying of a corner stone of a church on that day, "although approved by the church, master of the lodge, grand officers" and all concerned. It has been so decided so often that it has become "an unchangeable landmark." Grand Master Ashley had a similar experience with a church near Decatur. The pastor heartily approved and the corner stone was laid on a week day.

About the Home.

Virginia had a provision requiring each lodge to pay $5.00 into the fund for the masonic home for every entered apprentice. The grand master says that this is not fair or equitable. He recommends that this be changed and that a sum be required, the same from every member of every lodge in the state. The $5.00 provision was repealed. Grand lodge dues were raised from $1.00 to $1.50 annually, one-half of this to go to the support of the home. It appears that the masonic home buildings are wearing out by age and the home is not well located.

The board of governors were "authorized and empowered to look for a suitable location for the establishing and building of a new masonic home, and to obtain options on such property, or properties, as they may feel is best adapted for this purpose, with the full idea in view for the economical management and conducting of said home, so that the per capita of expenses may be reduced."

They are to report their action for approval and then the old home is to be sold. The board of governors in the 21st annual report recommended that large expenditures be made in rejuvenating the old home. It was believed that from $15,000 to $20,000 would be required to bring everything up to date in point of comfort and convenience.

There are in the home 27 girls and 31 boys. The aged and indigent mason and his widow are still without any provision for their care and comfort.

Virginia, like Illinois, has 50 masonic districts.

The grand lodge adopted the 25 landmarks of masonry as found in Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry" in place of the "Ahiman Rezon."

The committee on appeals reported no cases before them and concluded that this "indicates a healthful fraternal condition in all the subordinate lodges throughout this grand jurisdiction." And so it does.

The Annual Review

Is presented by Bro. Joseph W. Eggleston, past grand master. This summary fills 136 pages. In his conclusion, Brother Eggleston says that on account of his modesty his report for the two years of his own administration was not 'what it ought to be." He now feels free as the "flattering reviews" apply to others. . "One of the most deservedly famous masons in all the world" is the way P.G.M. John C. Smith of Illinois is characterized. Grand Master Ashley's tribute is quoted in full. Brother Ashley's "Masonry and Religion" is given complete with this comment. "We never before heard the idea so well expressed."

Brother Andrews, present grand master, in his visit to Illinois is described as "our handsome and eloquent deputy grand master." Illinois is in hearty accord with this description of our good Virginia brother.

Brother Eggleston says Virginia was reviewed "very handsomely." Query, Review or reviewer?

He says of the Illinois reviewer that—

He grasped our plural membership, but could not understand honorary membership, calling it "making a man a double member of the same lodge." It only marks him with a deserved honor, exempts him from dues, and permits him to vote or hold office as any other member.

Why should this be done where all masons are on an equality? No member can do more than his duty. Sometimes the obscure mason's mite of service is more than the distinguished brother's showy achievement. It is not a good idea to have classes in honor in our lodges. When a

mason renders a service to a lodge of which he is not a member, there may be an excuse for showing appreciation by "honorary" membership. Among masons in the same lodge no honors or ranks should be conferred beyond the approval of good work. There should be no exemption from dues and no dead head list.

Grand master, Wm. L. Andrews, Roanoke; grand secretary, Geo. W. Carrington, Richmond.

WASHINGTON—1911

176 Lodges. 54th Annual. 15,676 Members.

It is a source of regret to the writer that the proceedings of the grand lodge of Washington for 1911 did not arrive in time for review last year. They have become somewhat stale in this report for October, 1912. This aggressive and prosperous grand body met in Spokane, June 13, 1911. There were more than three months for printing and conveying to the table of the Illinois correspondent. The book of proceedings is a tasty production bound in conventional blue. The growth shown is eight new lodges and a net increase of 1,273 members. It is interesting to note that in a membership of over 15,000 only 199 were suspended for non-payment of dues. Some efficiency exists somewhere to produce such excellent results. If the leaks from this cause could be stopped there would be a bounding growth in membership in all grand lodges. The fair face of P.G.M. Jeremiah Neterer graces the opening pages.

In the call of representatives, the brother who holds the Illinois interests in hand, did not respond. The mayor of Spokane said words of welcome. They were not written out and no stenographer was there to preserve them. Hence they do not appear. The warm response is given in due form.

The Grand Master's Address

Betokens a firm hand at the pilot wheel. He refers to the death of two past grand masters. One of these was well known in Illinois 25 years ago. This was Louis Ziegler of Chenoa, Ill. When he went west to seek his fortune and masonic fame he was senior grand warden of the grand lodge of Illinois. Doubtless, had he remained, he would have been one of our past grand masters. A compact was formed between Brother Ziegler and Past Grand Master Arthur that the survivor should give the other masonic burial. This agreement was carried out and

Brother Arthur officiated at Brother Ziegler's funeral. He also presented a 14-page addres in memory of his late friend. Nothing could be added to his fervent eulogy.

Denied Right of Perpetual Jurisdiction.

The grand master reports a notice from Grand Master Ashley of a candidate rejected in Illinois and received by a lodge in Washington. He denied the right of Illinois to hold any claim over its rejected material in that state. He said he would advise the lodge of the fact of rejection and let the brethren act as they saw fit. It is a rather questionable way to get good material to accept those rejected in another jurisdiction. However, the Washington grand lodge is as supreme in that state as Illinois is in this.

Only six decisions were reported. These are largely of local character. One is of interest in putting on the brakes in spending money. It is as follows: "The funds of a lodge cannot be appropriated for the relief of any persons except masons in good standing, their wives and minor children and the widows and orphans of deceased masons." This may be considered somewhat stringent but in the present carnival of wastefulness of lodge funds in needless entertainments some restrictions would be wholesome. From one decision it appears by inference, at least, that a fellow craft can change his membership to another lodge. In Illinois he has no membership to change until he becomes a master mason and signs the by-laws.

Not Collecting Agency.

In another case a brother asked for a dimit. No charges were pending and he owed the lodge nothing. A brother objected to granting the dimit because the one asking it owed a private bill to the objector. Very properly the grand master decided that an indebtedness to a brother could not justify the lodge in withholding a dimit. In other words, he could not make the lodge a collecting agency.

The law of Washington requires a unanimous ballot to re-instate when suspended for non payment of dues. The grand secretary urges that this be changed so as to give more encouragement to re-instatements and affiliation. He says that under their law it is "easier for a mason indefinitely suspended for unmasonic conduct to become again a member of his lodge than for one dropped for N.P.D."

The popularity of masonry in the state is shown by the fact that a dozen corner stones were laid. Most of these were for public buildings, one being for the state historical society at Tacoma.

Missions of Mercy.

The grand master tells the following interesting story illustrating one of the great blessings of masonry. He says that—

On the 15th of August, 1910, I received a letter from a mother residing in a distant state stating that she was a daughter of a mason and her grandfather had at one time been grand master of the grand lodge of the state, and that her father and grandfather had always told her that masonry would respond to a voice in distress. She stated that her boy, a lad of seventeen, had left home to make his way, she being poor. She last heard from him in Seattle, but had not heard from him for more than six months, and could I help her to find her boy? I referred the matter to the right worshipful junior grand warden, Bro. Asa H. Hankerson, who took the matter up and found the boy in a most undesirable portion of the city and in a very unwholesome environment. Brother Hankerson persuaded the boy to seek other environment and obtained employment for him, and by sincere interest finally got the boy to face about and by arousing his dormant love for home and mother persuaded him to return to his mother.

Here is another of the same kind—

From another distant state I received a letter from the widow of a mason, who had invested some funds upon the advice and recommendation of friends, and she felt that the entire matter would be lost, and could I be of assistance to her in helping her to arrange the matter? I referred the matter to Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Bro. David S. Prescott, and the interest which he manifested and the manner in which he disposed of the matter, and the results which he obtained, convince me that the matter was given the same careful consideration as though it were an individual matter, and I have received from this widow a letter, expressing her appreciation of the great service that was rendered her.

The grand master closes a strong address with this choice morsel of poetry—

"One ship goes East, another West,
By the self-same winds that blow;
'Tis the set of the sail and not the gale
That determines the way they go.
Like the winds of the sea are the ways of Fate
As we voyage along through life.
It is the set of the soul that decides the goal,
And not the calm or the strife."

A Masonic Home.

Is to be established. The committee reported recommending Walla Walla on the east side of the mountains or Puyallup on the west side. After a vigorous contest the grand lodge decided in favor of the west side. Puyallup is the name to be associated with their great care of masonic dependents including members of the Eastern Star. The site

chosen has some buildings and the work can begin very soon. A committee of three was appointed with full power to act. The order of the Eastern Star was requested to name two other members to serve with the three from the grand lodge. This shows a very brotherly and sisterly spirit.

Mexican Masonry.

The committee on correspondence, P.G.M. Chadwick, advises caution in relation to the recognition of any grand lodge in the Mexican republic. The seceder known as Valle de Mexico, is now ostracised by all legitimate masonic bodies. Of the remains of the old grand lodge, after the secession Brother Chadwick says—

The York lodge has asked for and hopes to receive recognition from all of those grand lodges now or formerly in communication with the grand lodge Valle de Mexico. Until they have acted I deem it unwise for this grand lodge to act, and even though such recognition be obtained, the question of policy is still open. If, as the reports suggest, the York grand lodge is American and is to be kept American in membership as well as ritual, it might be well to recognize it; but if it is to be subject to the schisms and treacheries of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico as we have known it in the past, we had better leave Mexico to that form of masonry adapted to its soil—the Scottish rite. The time is not ripe for us to answer these questions.

For the present, therefore, I advise that no action be taken by this grand lodge.

The application of the grand orient of Italy was refused because proofs of regularity are wanting.

A New Name for an Old Committee.

Instead of a committee on distribution of reports of grand officers our far northwestern brethren have a "segregation committee." The result of its work appears much like that of the committees called by a milder and more common name. It appears that a roll call of lodges can be called by five representatives. In Illinois it takes 100 representatives to secure a call of more than 800 lodges. Once upon a time a grand master in this state encouraged a roll call. It took a half-day to complete it. Since then no one has wanted a repetition of this time-wasting and nerve-racking method of taking a vote. Washington would be wise to change the law so that a very small minority cannot plunge the grand lodge into a needless use of time.

Grand Master Defenbach and P.G.M. Storer, both of Idaho, were received with the usual courtesies.

Washington still indulges in that anachronism of the past master's degree. The grand lecturer gave an evening to conferring it. How

much more valuable it would have been to have spent the time in instruction in live degrees rather than wasting it on a dead one. P.G.M. CHADWICK, in his report on correspondence, agrees with this view. On recommendations of the committee on jurisprudence the law was amended so "that, for the purpose of the burial of the dead only, it shall be lawful for the master of a lodge to congregate the members of his lodge in the lodge room of any constituent lodge of this jurisdiction."

PAST GRAND MASTER'S ASSOCIATION.

Proceedings of the past grand masters' association are given place in the volume of grand lodge doings. The "aims and objects" of this organization are set forth as follows—

"This association is formed for the purpose of promoting sociability among the past grand masters at the communication of the grand lodge, to study landmarks of the fraternity and to counsel with the newly elected grand master.

"The objects of the association, it being distinctly understood and agreed, is not to endeavor to control or influence, as a body or organization, the actions of grand lodge.

"It is understood that at each communication of the grand lodge the members of this association shall meet at dinner, each member paying his own bills.

"There shall be no dues and no assessments, and no officers, except a secretary; the oldest past grand master present shall be the presiding officer.

"Each member is to furnish the secretary with a cabinet-size photograph of himself, with his autograph thereon, and the dates of his receiving the apprentice, fellowcraft and master mason degrees, and other masonic data of his life."

THE REVIEW OF GRAND LODGES.

Is presented by Past Grand Master STEPHEN J. CHADWICK, who announces his voluntary retirement from the editorial tripod of his grand lodge. This is a source of regret to his fellow reviewers. His work has been of high order and his reports have proven useful to his grand lodge as well as to those who from the outside have had the privilege of perusing them. He retires because he finds that in a multitude of other duties his health and strength will not permit him to carry this burden longer.

The review of Illinois is for 1910. Quoting a paragraph from Grand Master ASHLEY'S report he adds that "To be big is good, to be good is better and to be both big and good like Illinois is best of all." Well said. Thanks.

The special report of the Illinois committee on correspondence, regarding Valle de Mexico, is quoted almost in full and with approval.

Copious quotations are made from this committee's 1910 report regarding making Taft a mason at sight and the necessity for documentary evidence.

Thought too Strong.

The laws of Washington barring a stationary engineer employed in a brewery is considered pretty severe as stated by the Illinois reviewer last year. Brother Chadwick then adds—

We think ourselves that the line was drawn too fine, but then there is our law, "directly or indirectly" connected with the liquor traffic, and grand lodge is the final judge.

The sub-heads used in the Illinois report are commended by Brother Chadwick. He also expresses satisfaction that Brother Cook and the present writer stand with Brother Robbins on the great fundamentals of ancient craft masonry. How can a mason do otherwise?

The report, reviewing Illinois, closes with the following—

Fortunate indeed has been Illinois in that its policy and relations with other grand lodges have been shaped by one so fearless and able as was Dr. Robbins. Had there been more like him, there would not now be any Scottish rite question to vex us. We hope that the grand lodge will follow the thought of Brother Robbins for all time and that its foreign relations will forever fall to the keeping of such stout hands and hearts as Brothers Cook and Scott.

Faith Without Works is Dead.

Brother Chadwick appends a most valuable "conclusion." He writes some things for those who are not impelled to read the body of his report. The following paragraph has in it the true ring of our great fraternity. He says that—

Masonry is making genuine progress. As in times past, it is attracting men of the highest character, and is now more than ever before, looked upon as the most venerable civic institution in all English-speaking countries. The reason for this is clear to those who have thought upon masonic lines. As masonry was a craft operative in its nature, perforce of environment, and through social conditions became a speculative science, dealing wholly in rules and guides for our faith and systems of morality; so in the changings of human sentiment it has ceased to be wholly speculative and has again become operative; an intensely practical human institution. Works have taken the place of words. No longer do we rehearse our duty to our fellow man in sentences of marvelous beauty and expression; but we do that as we would have others do unto us. Our professions have taken form in masonic relief associations, in masonic homes, and other charities, and in a discipline that has driven beyond the pale of our fraternity those whose lives do not square with the highest standards of morality.

Grand master, David S. Prescott, Spokane; grand secretary, Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma.

WEST VIRGINIA—1911.

145 Lodges. 47th Annual. 14,874 Members.

A gain of two lodges and 806 members shows a rather slow but certain growth of this grand body. An imposing appearing book of 551 pages tells the story of masonry in that jurisdiction for 1911. The annual session was held at Charleston, November 15, 16. Though they met little over a month after our grand lodge, yet the Illinois proceedings for 1911, come under review. This is pretty swift work and proves that grand secretary and foreign correspondent, Howard, does not allow any vegetation to flourish under his feet.

The book opens with a picture and biographical sketch of the grand master for 1912, Bro. John M. McConihay.

Numerous special communications are recorded. These are mostly for laying corner stones and for funerals. At one, the corner stone of the state Normal school at Athens was placed. This was an occasion of great interest. Rev. Bro. G. M. Moreland made the address of the day.

A New Breed of Mason.

At Huntington the grand lodge was convened in special session to confer the degrees of entered apprentice, fellowcraft and master mason upon the "Hon. John Homer Holt." No reason is given for such an extraordinary exhibition of personal favor to a man seeking the light of masonry. The affair was a sort of cross between "making a mason at sight" and allowing him to tread the same path as any common candidate would do in a constituent lodge. Evidently here is a new breed of masons, probably to be classified under the head of "grades and crosses." Grand Master Stokes whistles as he goes through the masonic graveyard in the following refrain—

I convened the grand lodge in special communication in the lodge room of Huntington Lodge No. 53, and proceeded to confer the three degrees "At Sight" upon Brother John H. Holt, of that town. In order to avoid any criticisms of the expression "At Sight," I will state that the only thing which was not done was the balloting upon his petition. The grand lodge was regularly convened, and he received all of the degrees in the same manner as if he had been elected in any ordinary lodge.

I am glad to say that my action met with much approval by the various members of the lodge, and Brother Holt was greatly flattered by the honor conferred upon him. I am satisfied that he will make a most desirable mason, and with his brilliancy and solid qualifications will prove a most desirable addition to the cause of masonry.

Omitted the Ballot.

Brother Stokes says that "the only thing that was not done was the balloting upon his petition." Why should the grand master exempt Mr. Holt from the scrutiny of his neighbors in the ballot? Was it because he had "Hon." as a prefix to his name? Since when did West Virginia masons begin to regard men more highly because of "worldly wealth or honors." He says that "Brother Holt was greatly flattered by the honor conferred upon him."

Masonry Honors All Men.

Well he may be. Every man should feel honored when by a unanimous ballot the ages-old fraternity of freemasonry accepts him and introduces him into its mysteries. No man can honor masonry. It is greater than any man, no matter how exalted his station may be in the world's work. To convene the grand lodge to confer degrees upon a man who merely is the choice of the grand master is most unique. Possibly the power existed through the uncertainty of "landmarks" or otherwise, but the wisdom of its exercise in such a case and in such a way may be seriously questioned. What is the status of the "Hon. John Homer Holt" in masonry? He is not a member of Huntington lodge unless elected to membership in the regular way. Possibly he is a member of the grand lodge by "divine right." In view of "his brilliancy and solid qualifications," Brother Holt might make a tour for the edification of the craft like the "traveling trowel."

The Grand Master's Address.

Was a lengthy and exhaustive review of his year's work and the questions growing out of it.

Among grand representatives received was Illinois' diplomat, Bro. H. R. Howard, grand secretary and correspondent. The death of John C. Smith, P.G.M., was noted.

The grand master reports his visits to the centennial of the grand lodge, District of Columbia, and the century and a quarter of Pennsylvania.

Thinks Churches Not Public Enough.

Grand Master Stokes permitted the laying of corner stones of churches but expressed the opinion that this should not be done. He does not think a church is a public building in the sense contemplated. He says that—

We are never asked, as far as I know, to lay the corner stone of a Jewish synagogue, or a Catholic church, but we lay the corner stones

of Methodist, Baptist and other churches. As I understand it, a public building is one in which every person has the same rights, and this is not true of a denominational church—an Episcopalian has no business in the Presbyterian church, nor has a Baptist any right in a Methodist church.

The only reason why masons do not lay corner stones of Catholic churches or Jewish synagogues is because "we are never asked." These religious organizations have their own ceremonies and never invite others to do their work for them. Many other churches have their own corner stone ceremonies and do not ask masons to officiate. There is no reason in masonry for declining the invitation of Catholic or Jewish congregations to lay corner stones. The grand lodge on report of the committee on jurisprudence refused to agree with the grand master. The committee says that "Church edifices are always open at stated times for all persons who desire to worship therein." Masons of West Virginia will continue to lay corner stones of churches where invited. The grand master refused to allow lodges as such to attend divine service. This is the attitude of Illinois.

Masonic schools are urged by the grand master, one to be held each month.

Petitions to re-ballot on rejected candidates were very properly refused.

Tender Toward Chapter and Commandery.

A novel proposition by Grand Master Stokes to protect chapters of R.A.M. against suspended members of "blue" lodges. He suggests a combination receipt of lodge, chapter and commandery. Why? Are not other organizations, based on the lodge, able to protect themselves? Lodges and grand lodges will not accomplish any good results in trying to regulate other organizations. The grand master is very much opposed to the Eastern Star. He goes to Western Australia for his ammunition to fire into it. The "Ladies' Shrine," however, met his wrath more than the Eastern Star. The former was positively prohibited from meeting in lodge rooms. The latter was tolerated but he recommended that the grand lodge make a law excluding Eastern Star chapters from lodge rooms. Here again the jurisprudence committee disagree and it was left to lodges to determine.

A law, declaring that masters who could not confer all the degrees should not be installed, was declared mandatory and strictly enforced.

Brother Stokes urges that grand masters should be re-elected. His arguments are excellent but did not convince the grand lodge.

Past Master Trouble.

There is trouble in West Virginia over past masters. There are two kinds—chapter and lodge. The former have not been considered past masters enough to fit them for installation as masters. The trouble was partly remedied by the change in the obligation of the degree in the chapter. The easy way out of it all is to abandon the idea that a man should be a past master before he can be a real one. In other words a farce must be enacted in order to qualify for service. Why not confer the degree of past secretary on the one chosen to be secretary as a qualification for installation? One is as sensible as the other. Illinois long since eliminated the past master foolishness.

There were many decisions, but they were the details of hearings in lodges and contained few general principles of outside application. The grand master wisely might have omitted most of the cases and simply reported his decisions on the laws involved.

The grand matron of the Eastern Star offered to join with the masons in establishing a home for masonic defendants. As the grand master doubted if any good thing could come out of this Nazareth, the good woman was given the cold shoulder.

Excellent Plan for Charity.

On report of a special committee on charity the grand lodge decided to set apart 10 cents for each member annually for a fund to be used to assist poor and needy members of lodges and the widows and orphans of deceased masons." This should be used to care for these when the funds of the lodges are insufficient. Provision was, also made to relieve the distress of "worthy indigent masons temporarily sojourning" in that state. Other cases of distress were to be cared for out of this fund when the grand charity committee deemed them worthy. This certainly shows that the hearts of West Virginia masons are in the right place.

The members of the grand lodge were bounteously fed by Kanawha lodge No. 20 of Charleston at the close of the session.

Only New Officers Installed.

The record shows that all officers were installed "with the exception of those who were re-elected." As the officers who were re-elected had completed the term for which they had been chosen, would it not look better to re-install them rather than to let them be mere hangovers? A very able address on "Freemasonry and Citizenship" was made by P.G.M. Geo. W. Atkinson He clearly showed that freema-

sonry produced a better type of citizens. He quotes from BURNS these choice lines—

"From scenes like these Old Scotia's grandeur springs,
Which make her loved at home—revered abroad:
Princes and lords are but the breath of kings,
An honest man is the noblest work of God."

He closes with this sentence—"Freemasons, therefore, are the ideal citizens of all lands and of all climes"

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

Is the sixth from the capable hand of P.G.M. HIRAM R. HOWARD, the grand secretary and representative of Illinois at the grand lodge of West Virginia.

Almost four pages are devoted to our 1911 proceedings. Referring to Grand Master ASHLEY's standard of proficiency for grand lecturers he says—"We have too many ritualistic 'Poll Parrots.' What we need are teachers and exemplifiers of the work." Illinois may have some "poll parrots" but most of those holding commissions as grand lecturers are capable teachers of the work. He quotes and approves Brother ASHLEY's "Masonry and Religion."

Brother HOWARD pays Illinois a compliment for harmony in the following—

There was but one little "wee" case before the committee on appeals and grievances, which speaks well for the 800 lodges with their 110,000 members.

THE CORRESPONDENCE REPORT.

The reviewer further says—

Past Grand Master Owen Scott presented the report of the committee on masonic correspondence, of which he is the author. It has a full index of every name used, topic discussed and matter or thing mentioned, which is of the greatest utility and convenience to readers and reviewers. The whole report and index occupies 240 pages, set in 8-point type. I had marked a number of passages in it on "cipher keys," to which he is opposed, the Order of the Eastern Star, for which he seems to have a tender feeling, the declaration by Oklahoma of what are the legitimate and recognized masonic bodies, etc., etc., but I am admonished that I have already "spun out" my review to greater length than anticipated.

The reference to the Eastern Star and to Oklahoma's attempt to regulate other bodies than masonic are reproduced. He further says—

West Virginia for 1910 is reviewed in great shape. About the only thing Brother Scott "can't swallow" is our recognition of the York grand lodge of Mexico.

Glad the review met approval of Brother HOWARD.

Grand master, JOHN M. MCCONIHAY, Charleston; grand secretary, H. R. HOWARD, Mt. Pleasant.

WISCONSIN—1912.

265 Lodges. 68th Annual. 27,233 Members.

It is a real pleasure to review the proceedings of our neighbor on the north. The reports are so concise and so well put together that it is easy to find the salient features. Out of the beaten paths, may be placed the title to the book recording the doings of this grand lodge. Instead of the common "proceedings" it is "transactions." The session was held at Milwaukee, June 11-13, 1912. A gain of 812 members is reported. The address of the grand master is a terse and sensible document. Brother Matheson says that some regard "the position of grand master as one of power. As to this I cannot speak much from experience, for, if I have had power, I have not once had any desire for its arbitrary exercise. The privileges that belong to the office in the occasions that come for labor and service are inestimable." Such a view of the great office will always insure a successful administration.

Only Eight Decisions.

Were reported. The grand master held that a member who was not a past master could be called upon to preside in the conferring of degrees.

The law prohibiting saloon keepers does not apply to a mason holding a dimit. He is eligible for affiliation, although a man in the liquor business is barred from applying for the degrees. Another decision on the same subject held that—

There can be no difference in principle between one who has whole interest in a saloon and one who has only partial interest, between one who takes all of the profits of the saloon business and one who shares in the profits with another.

The committee on jurisprudence on the grand master's report held—

1. That there is no law, civil or masonic, which prevents the wife, mother, sister, daughter or widow of a mason from wearing masonic emblems.

2. That there should be no smoking in lodge rooms while the lodge is in session.

3. That the grand master is authorized at his discretion to permit bodies, other than masonic, to meet in lodge rooms. The question was raised regarding the "White Shrine of Jerusalem."

The grand lodge of Peru had been out-lawed by Wisconsin because the grand master of the South American body had ordered the

bible from the altars. On its restoration, friendly relations were resumed.

Past Master's Degree Abolished.

Wisconsin is to be congratulated in abolishing the requirement that a master must take the past master's degree. The provision was never anything but a farce. A man is neither harmed nor helped by the ceremonies of the past master's degree. The committee on jurisprudence recommended that the law be amended to read as follows—"A brother can be installed master without having received the past master's degree." This was adopted. Few states retain this anachronism. The grand secretary's report is a model. It is simple, comprehensive, complete; covering less than two pages. Illinois' diplomat, P.G.M. Chas. C. Rogers, was at court.

Grand Chaplain Pryor presented a past grand master's jewel in a manner both unique and impressive. He made the jewel tell the story of the love and esteem in which the distinguished brother was held by the body he had so well served.

About Masonic Homes.

Wisconsin has no masonic home. Its charities are dispensed to individuals through other channels. There is, however, an institution called the "Dousman Masonic Home" located at Dousman, Wis. This is maintained and has been for years by Wisconsin consistory of the Scottish rite. This home came through the geenrosity of one of the consistory members. In order to enlist the sympathy of the masons of the Badger state, an invitation was extended to the grand lodge to visit this home. The visit was made but no further mention of the home was recorded.

A resolution was passed authorizing the trustees to direct in what bank or banks the funds of the grand lodge are to be deposited. If the grand treasurer and grand secretary are under good and sufficient bonds why relieve them from responsibility—in case of a failure of a bank?

The 15th Review.

The report on correspondence was written by the able, veteran reviewer, P.G.M. Albro Jenks. It is his 15th annual report. Information regarding masonry, the world around, is crowded into 183 pages. Brother Jenks and his grand lodge believes that much of the value of this yearly review comes in wise and fraternal comment, criticism and comparison. As usual Illinois receives most brotherly consideration. Of P.G.M. John C Smith the reviewer says that at the time of his death, Brother Smith

"was one of the most widely known masons of the world, and universally honored for his attainments and manly character."

Of Grand Master ASHLEY he says—

He entertained the very prevalent belief that masonry and the liquor trade should be kept as far apart as possible, and that the two in no instance should occupy the same building. We honor him for thus holding.

Regarding the recommendation that all communications between lodges of different states be sent through the grand masters, Brother JENKS has his own opinions. He says—

Nevertheless, the regulation is an innovation in masonry, which has stripped the lodges of a portion of their ancient powers and prerogatives, and tightens the reins with which the grand lodge compels them to do its bidding.

Is it not a well established principle of good government that the individual surrenders something for the general good? If an innovation, it is one that does not touch the fundamentals of the craft. Changes of methods are often necessary to produce best results. Brother JENKS approves the reduction of representation in grand lodge and says that "it is no doubt true that many of the grand lodges have attained such proportions that the representation ought to be cut down in order that the body many not be too unwieldy."

HOME SENTIMENT GROWS.

The Wisconsin view of the masonic home method of caring for dependents is evidently undergoing change. The excellent results of our Illinois homes and the small cost to each craftsman in the state, are rapidly commanding approval of all who are open to the argument of demonstrated results. Brother JENKS will soon be on the "mourner's bench" as the following extract indicates. He says that—

One hundred and seventy inmates (members, not inmates, if you please) are now housed in the two masonic homes conducted and supported by the grand lodge of Illinois. While we believe that this form of administering charity is unnecessarily expensive, and that masonic charity can be expended much more economically in the old time methods known to the craft we must express our satisfaction that the grand lodge of Illinois in its own way, although it may not be ours, is thus nobly discharging one of the most important duties inculcated by freemasonry.

Due acknowledgment is hereby made for the pleasing compliment paid to the report on correspondence for Illinois for 1911.

Brother JENKS reviews some grand bodies not recognized by Wisconsin. This is merely for information. Might there not be a danger

in misleading some who read but casually and conclude that, if a review is published, there must be recognition?

Grand master, DAVID B. GREENE, Neosho; grand secretary, WM. W. PEFFY, Milwaukee.

WYOMING—1911.

30 LODGES. 37TH ANNUAL. 2,639 MEMBERS.

A handsome, well-printed book of 208 pages details the story of this good, but little, grand lodge for 1911. The session was held at Cheyenne, September 6 and 7. The proceedings arrived November 17. The past year shows a net gain of 85. The coming grand master's term ought, and no doubt will, procure "banner" results. The volume is beautified and adorned with the likeness of HAROLD BANNER, grand master for 1911-12. Four specials to lay corner stones come first. These are again reported by the grand master in his address. Little reason is seen for this duplication.

The grand master's address is a plain matter of fact production. It gives a very intelligent report of his official doings with little attempt at rhetorical flourish. The death of Past Grand Master JOHN C. SMITH of Illinois is duly considered. Owing to the failure to complete a railroad the place of the annual meeting was changed to Cheyenne.

FEW DECISIONS.

Were reported by the grand master. In one it was held that during a trial in a lodge no visitor should be present. Exception is made in favor of one who appears as attorney in the case.

It was also decided that a candidate must be initiated in the lodge where he petitioned and was elected. An entered apprentice or fellowcraft may, on request, be advanced by another lodge, but the initiation must be by the lodge electing.

The grand master recommends that a card receipt be provided to be used as documentary evidence in case of visiting other lodges.

The masonic home fund is given as $5,788.50 Though small, Wyoming is ambitious to care for the needy ones.

Grand Secretary KUYKENDALL presented his 25th annual report as grand secretary. To show appreciation of the faithful service of this

veteran scribe a substantial present was made to him by the grand lodge. A set of resolutions was adopted setting forth the value of his work for masonry.

Soldiers Favored.

A provision was made exempting officers or enlisted men in the army of the United States from the requirement of residence to make them eligible to membership. This may be an accommodation to the soldiers but it is capable of producing much embarrassment and trouble to the grand lodge.

"A per capita tax of 50 cents" annually for the masonic home fund was continued. Some grand lodges "shy" at the word tax. Not so in Wyoming.

The committee on appeals and grievances reported that they were without any business. No appeals were taken. This shows a delightful state of harmony. However, look at Illinois. In 1911, only one case was appealed in a membership of almost 110,000. Masonry teaches harmony as its chief strength, but all masons do not practice this preachment as is done in Illinois and Wyoming.

The complete code of laws of Wyoming—the constitution, by-laws, order of business and standing resolutions—appears in full in the proceedings.

The Correspondence Report

For the 26th time is from the hand of Grand Secretary W. L. Kuykendall. This review is in excellent form and taste. His views on masonic questions are sound and tally well with the veteran reviewers of the past generations. Illinois occupies two full pages of Brother Kuykendall's precious space. He quotes approvingly Grand Master Ashley's strictures on non-affiliates. He adds that—Wyoming by-laws "provide for documentary evidence and definitely fix the status of non-affiliates as recommended" by Brother Ashley, "and more so."

The action of our grand lodge in refusing recognition of Valle de Mexico is approved and this statement added. "There is no telling what will happen next among the several brands of masonry in that peppery country." Brother Kuykendall says that—

> It seems the grand lodge (of Illinois) adopted the five-year limit to perpetual jurisdiction, but we notice the introduction afterwards of an amendment to re-establish such jurisdiction, which will come up for action at next annual.

The good brother should remember that our law cannot be changed by the approval of a recommendation of the grand master or a committee. It requires an amendment to lie over one year before the change

can be made. However at the session of 1911, the amendment was adopted and the five-year limit over rejected material is now the law of Illinois. A three-page "Conclusion" is appended. In this the various rites are exhaustively discussed.

Individual Recognition Dangerous.

Brother Kuykendall very properly deprecates the practice of some masons in visiting lodges under the obedience of spurious grand bodies, not recognized as regular. No mason can safely visit any lodge that is not a constituent of a grand lodge recognized by his own grand lodge. Otherwise, the bars between regular and clandestine bodies would be thrown down. He adds—"We believe there is more danger to our craft masonry in the promiscuous recognition of so-called grand lodges and grand orients than in all other questions confronting our fraternity." Proceedings and laws of the "Past Grand Masters' Association" are printed by order of the grand lodge.

Grand master, Harold Banner, Casper; grand secretary, W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga.

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF MASONIC LODGES

under obedience of Grand Lodges with which Illinois is in fraternal correspondence. Statistics are compiled from most reliable sources obtainable. For information, the membership of grand bodies not recognized by Illinois is also given.

	1911	1912
Alabama	23,303	24,361
Alberta	2,823	3,823
Arizona	1,807	2,014
Arkansas	21,776	21,741
British Columbia	4,550	5,017
California	43,675	48,836
Canada	46,140	48,500
Colorado	14,311	14,917
Connecticut	22,586	23,684
Cuba	2,630	3,038
Delaware	3,131	3,224
District of Columbia	8,948	9,111
England (Estimated)	210,000	210,000
Florida	9,501	10,131
Georgia	35,295	35,323
Holland	4 600	4,600
Idaho	3,167	3,568
Illinois	108,068	115,000
Indiana	54,710	60,168
Iowa	42,612	45,997
Ireland (Estimated)	100,000	100,000
Kansas	35,496	37,305
Kentucky	35,983	37,356
Louisiana	13,014	14,547
Maine	28,328	29,345
Manitoba	3,500	5,967
Maryland	13,468	14,431
Massachusetts	56,198	60,844
Michigan	63,022	68,396
Minnesota	24,944	26,543
Mississippi	17,122	18,931
Missouri	51,086	53,218
Montana	5,957	6,465
Nebraska	17,886	18,507
Nevada	1,681	1,771
New Brunswick	5,151	3,044
New Hampshire	10,260	10,480
New Jersey	31,424	34,855
New Mexico	2,572	2,799
New York	168,714	173,713
New Zealand	10,850	11,588
North Carolina	20,014	21,479
North Dakota	7,581	8,006
Nova Scotia	2,770	6,223
Ohio	79,501	82,833
Oklahoma	23,000	Est. 20,000
Oregon	9,986	11,914
Pennsylvania	92,135	100,765

Prince Edward Island	730	737
Quebec	6,325	6,633
Queensland	1,850	2,100
Rhode Island	7,464	7,811
Saskatchewan	3,500	4,049
Scotland (Estimated)	100,000	100,000
South Australia	3,595	4,424
South Carolina	12,515	13,772
South Dakota	8,301	9,701
Tasmania	1,410	1,445
Tennessee	23,614	25,587
Texas	50,027	53,190
Utah	1,638	1,984
United Grand Lodge of Victoria	11,271	11,728
United Grand Lodge of New South Wales	13,768	14,819
Vermont	12,933	13,443
Virginia	20,638	22,698
Washington	14,473	15,676
Western Australia	3,687	3,733
West Virginia	14,079	14,874
Wisconsin	25,680	27,233
Wyoming	2,556	2,639
Total in United States and Foreign Countries	1,935,330	2,032,654
Net increase for year		97,324
Number of Masons in Grand Jurisdiction not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Illinois		130,838
Grand total Masons in the world		2,163,492

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LODGE DIRECTORY
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LODGE DIRECTORY

Showing alphabetical list of Lodges and Postoffice, name of Worshipful Master and Secretary, and time of Stated Meeting.

*And every two weeks thereafter.

	NAME OF LODGE.	No. Dist.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
913	Aaron	7	Chicago	Andrew C. Metzger	Walter W. Lackey	First and third Friday
185	Abingdon	21	Abingdon	A. D. Underwood	T. J. Groves	First and third Tuesdays of each month
316	Abraham Jonas	18	Loda	Frank F. Butzow	Thos. N. Bone	First and third Mondays of each month
518	Abraham Lincoln	22	Kirkwood	Robert E. Gamble	G. C. Pape	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
67	Acacia	16	LaSalle	Thomas Young, Jr	Chas. C. Swift	First and Third Wednesdays of each month
277	Accordia	2	Chicago	Aug. H. Kropp	Robert G. Nieman	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
529	Adams	33	Thompsonville	J. M. Whitcomb	J. J. Sworthout	Saturday on or before each full moon
749	Akin	45	Plainville	S. P. Ingram	Geo. H. Flanegan	Saturday on or before each full moon
566	Albany	13	Albany	Louis Hoobler	Geo. W. Coleman	Friday on or before each full moon
252	Aledo	22	Aledo	Wm. A. Lorimer	Douglas E. Farr	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
702	Alexandria	22	Alexis	A. J. Porter	E. L. Beal	Friday on or before each full moon
752	Allendale	46	Allendale	Jos. T. Litherland	J. W. Whiteside	Monday on or before each full moon
497	Alma	44	Steeleville	Thos. Robertson	R. J. Wheatley	Saturday on or before each full moon
155	Alpha	21	Galesburg	B. C. Nead	Chas. J. Shaw	First and third Fridays of each month
748	Alta	20	Alta	Sumner N. Smith	Wm. Chambers	Thursday on or before full moon
533	Altamont	41	Altamont	Arthur Weiler	N. L. Brown	Second Saturday of each month
902	Alto	13	Steward	E. T. Corwin	A. O. Hill	Second and fourth Mondays
840	Alto Pass	49	Alto Pass	J. Arthur Gates	Leroy G. Keith	Wednesday before full moon
330	Altona	21	Altona	J. W. McQueen	A. L. Roby	First and third Mondays of each month
889	America	7	Chicago	Harry D. Davisson	Lew W. Webb	First and third Saturdays of each month
142	Ames	15	Sheffield	Wm. Duke	H. L. Wood	First and third Tuesdays of each month
472	Amity	12	West Chicago	Albert H. Hills	Joseph D. Wills	First and third Fridays of each month
261	Amon	29	DeWitt	L. W. Taylor	E. M. Stone	Tuesday on or before full moon
907	Ancient Craft	4	Chicago	Isidor Lang	Leo Michael	First and third Wednesdays
516	Andalusia	14	Andalusia	J. C. Burgoyne	H. W. Titterington	Tuesday on or before full moon
487	Andrew Jackson	48	Corinth	Frank H. Pease	Geo. W. Willard	Saturday on or before full moon
520	Anna	49	Anna	W. L. Wiggins	R. L. Shannon	Third Tuesday of each month
433	Annawan	14	Atkinson	Theo. Milar	Horace E. Whitted	Friday on or before full moon
127	Antioch	8	Milburn	Henry Patch	John Bonner	Thursday on or before full moon
676	O. A. Fay	8	Highland Park	W. H. Thomas	Fred R. Moon	First and third Thursdays of each month
642	Apollo	1	Chicago	Clyde Cadwell	E. A. Kuehmstaedt	First and third Mondays of each month
859	Apple River	10	Apple River	J. Stewart Lamont	M. J. Tyron	First and third Fridays of each month
717	Arcana	4	Chicago	Chas. J. F. Scharf	Edward Anderson	First and third Wednesdays of each month
366	Arcola	38	Arcola	J. E. Jeffers	A. L. Stivers	First Tuesday of each month
871	Argenta	29	Argenta	Harry Parr	Wm. E. Olson	First Tuesday of each month
354	Ark and Anchor	30	Auburn	Albert P. Lorton	F. O. Lorton	Friday on or before each full moon
378	Aroma	18	Waldron	Geo. L. Hoke	Edgar F. Beebe	Wednesday on or before full moon

737	Arrowsmith	26	Arrowsmith	C. T. Cherry	R. L. Eldredge	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
825	Arthur	38	Arthur	M. E. Reeves	Jas. I. Lawrence	Monday on or before each full moon	
929	Ashland	31	Ashland	O. C. Robinson	W. D. Harding	First and Third Thursdays	
308	Ashlar	3	Chicago	S. Geo. Crooks	Richard E. Kopf	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month	
390	Ashmore	38	Ashmore	W R. Comstock	S. A. Wright	Saturday on or before full moon	
531	Ashton	13	Ashton	R. W. Jeter	S. T. Zeller, Jr.	Wednesday on or after full moon	
100	Astoria	23	Astoria	Roy Danner	Wm. R. Browne	Tuesday on or before full moon	
793	A. T. Darrah	21	Victoria	M. B. Sloan	Abram Collinson	First and third Wednesdays of each month	
165	Atlanta	25	Atlanta	C. C. Sater	W. C. Reinmiller	First and third Mondays of each month	
651	Atwood	28	Atwood	E. D. Rhodes	J. T. A. Edmonson	Saturday on or before full moon	
789	Auburn Park	7	Chicago	Wm. H. Robson	Sidney H. Manchee	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month	
254	Aurora	12	Aurora	J. T. Nicol	John C. Rayment	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month	
850	Austin	2	Chicago	Robert B. Wilson	S. C. Stallwood	Second and fourth Fridays of each month	
921	Avondale	5	Chicago	A. V. Williams	D. F. Shogren	First and Third Thursdays	
253	Avon Harmony	23	Avon	G. A. E. Drake	Geo. E. Simmons	First and third Mondays of each month	
145	A. W. Rawson	9	Pecatonica	A. W. Day	H. A. Hommema	Second and fourth Mondays of each month	
924	Banner Blue	1	Chicago	A. M. Hunter	R. W. Starr	First and Third Wednesdays	
572	Bardolph	23	Bardolph	H. A. Maxwell	Chas. L. Harris	First Friday of each month	
34	Barry	32	Barry	J. K. Crawford	Chas. E. Beavers	Saturday on or before full moon	
618	Basco	24	Basco	Jas. B. Elder	A. Naegelin	Monday on or before full moon	
404	Batavia	12	Batavia	Hugo L. Larson	Wm. R. Duncan	Second and fourth Mondays of each month	
771	Bay City	50	New Liberty	Wm. Davison	P. S. Lillie	Saturday on or before full moon	
784	Beacon Light	6	Norwood Park	Fred Johnson	E. W. Chesterman	First and third Fridays of each month	
665	Beecher City	41	Beecher City	W. J. Campbell	J. F. Jennings	Friday on or before full moon	
909	Bee Hive	6	Chicago	Morris G. Boas	W. A. Forward	First and third Mondays	
696	Belle Rive	45	Belle Rive	R D. Cook	R. O. Davenport	Tuesday on or before full moon	
60	Belvidere	9	Belvidere	J. E. Warren	H. E. Delavergne	First and third Mondays of each month	
822	Belknap	49	Belknap	James R. Evers	Wm. T. Laughlin	Thursday on or before each full moon	
911	Bellflower	26	Bellflower	Joseph M. Jordan	A. F. Gooch	First and third Wednesdays	
365	Bement	28	Bement	A. L. Wilkinson	A. M. Totten	Saturday on or before full moon	
52	Benevolent	31	Meredosia	Edward Streuter	H. D. Berger	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
818	Ben Hur	1	Chicago	Wm. W. LeGros	Louis B. Olson	Thursday evening of each week	
297	Benjamin	33	Camp Point	Geo. W. Cyrus	E. B. O. Dean	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
64	Benton	45	Benton	Henry Hudson	James M. Seymour	First and third Mondays of each month	
839	Berwyn	5	Berwyn	Wm. F. Struckman	Geo. C. Diver	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month	
406	Bethalto	43	Bethalto	John G. Klein	Wm. S. Elliott	Saturday on or before full moon	
884	Bethany	38	Bethany	Edgar N. Six	John Sampley	Thursday on or before each full moon	
359	Blackberry	12	Elburn	C. E. Morrell	O. M. Smith	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month	
238	Black Hawk	24	Hamilton	C. P. Lindsey	Ed. F. Jolidon	First Saturday on or after full moon	
393	Blair	7	Chicago	W. E. Anderson	H. M. Church	First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month	
233	Blandinsville	23	Blandinsville	W. D. Thomas	Peter W. Gunster	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
271	Blaney	1	Chicago	A. F. Andresen	Wm. F. Beckman	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month	
458	Blazing Star	47	Crab Orchard	Geo. B. Dodds	Robt. J. Sneed	Saturday on or after full moon	
148	Bloomfield	39	Chrisman	F. K. Cox	A. E. Schnitker	Saturday on or before full moon	
43	Bloomington	26	Bloomington	Nimrod Mace	C B. Hamilton	First and third Thursdays of each month	
682	Blue Mound	29	Blue Mound	H. A. Flock	E. F. Dunbar	Saturday on or before full moon	
647	Blueville	37	Edinburg	Homer Firey	O. D. Clark	Thursday on or before full moon	
846	Bluffs	34	Bluffs	H. D. Killpatrick	E. D. Beird	First and third Wednesdays of each month	
1	Bodley	33	Quincy	Erde W. Beatty	Wm. J. Smith	First and third Mondays of each month	

LODGE DIRECTORY.—Continued.

NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	No. Dist.	POSTOFFICE.	NAME OF SECRETARY.	NAME OF MASTER.	TIME OF STATED MEETING.
943	Bohemia	7	Chicago	Otto Polanek	Chas. B. Pavlicek	Fridays
412	Bollen	13	Spring Hill	J. S. Heller	John C. Meyer	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
882	Boulevard	4	Chicago	Oscar D. Olson	Peter Johnson	First and third Thursdays of each month
486	Bowen	24	Bowen	W. T. Gillis	Chas. F. Rockenfield	First and third Fridays of each month
857	Boyd D.	11	Kirkland	H. L. Boath	M. P. Murphey	First and third Fridays of each month
514	Bradford	21	Bradford	Cyrus Bocock	W. C. Mitchell	Thursday on or before full moon
704	Braidwood	17	Braidwood	James W. Patterson	A. H. Nelson	First and third Thursdays of each month
386	Bridgeport	46	Bridgeport	E. H. Atkin	Lewis Smith	First and third Tuesdays of each month
854	Brighton Park	4	Chicago	James Maclaughlan	Walter E. Felb	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
791	Broadlands	28	Broadlands	J. J. Douthit	T. A. Dicks	*Saturday after full moon and two weeks later
451	Bromwell	37	Assumption	W. H. Melnorn	F. W. Baxmeyer	Saturday on or before full moon
282	Brooklyn	13	Compton	D. C. Miller	W. S. Dysart	First and third Wednesdays of each month
634	Buckley	18	Buckley	H. C. West	Elwin Hull	Wednesday on or before full moon
399	Buda	15	Buda	B. H. Mosher	Albert Voight	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
679	Buffalo Prairie	14	Buffalo Prairie	Frank S. Venable	M. M. Marquis	Saturday on or before full moon
945	Buffalo	30	Buffalo	P. G. Williams	Oliver McDaniel	First Monday
151	Bunker Hill	35	Bunker Hill	Geo. H. Baker	E. D. Farris	Thursday on or before full moon
683	Burnside	24	Burnside	M. C. Howd	J. H. Aiken	Saturday on or before full moon
668	Burnt Prairie	46	Burnt Prairie	Geo. E. Jessup	Ed. R. Martin	*Saturday on or before full moon
274	Byron	11	Byron	Ray Barrick	A. Roy Mize	Third Thursday of each month
237	Cairo	49	Cairo	Ross C. Bates	Chas. S. Bomque	Second Monday of each month
47	Caledonia	50	Olmsted	Ed. B. Gore	H. A. Bride	Thursday on or before full moon
792	Calhoun	34	Hardin	Philip Aderton	W. L. Mottaz	First and third Saturdays of each month
716	Calumet	3	Blue Island	D. W. Longacre	W. M. Hartzel	First and third Tuesdays of each month
440	Camargo	38	Camargo	I. W. Hall	Fred Ebel	Thursday on or before full moon
49	Cambridge	14	Cambridge	Oscar E. Sanquist	Wm. Sherden	First and third Thursdays of each month
648	Camden	24	Camden	Thos. Hester	Everett Cady, Jr	Saturday on or before full moon
927	Candida	3	Chicago	John C. Higgins	R. L. Longenecker	First and third Monday
575	Capron	9	Capron	F. D. Cornwell	W. C. Truman	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
904	Carlock	30	Mechanicsburg	H. R. Riddle	A. C. Semple	Thursday on or before full moon
732	Carman	22	Carman	G. W. Howell	A. C. Babcook	Saturday on or before full moon
272	Carmi	46	Carmi	D. H. Boyer	Thos. H. Land	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
900	Carnation	2	Chicago	Fred P. Sherman	Louis V. Gustin	First and third Tuesdays
50	Carrollton	34	Carrollton	Isaac Conlee	John J. Hamilton	First Monday of each month
442	Casey	39	Casey	W. G. Thompson	H. C. Leggett	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
23	Cass	31	Beardstown	Walter F. Thron	A. L. Parks	First and third Mondays of each month
285	Catlin	27	Catlin	Alexander Gerrard	A. Jones, Jr	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
444	Cave in Rock	50	Cave in Rock	John Frayser	C. O. O'Kerson	Saturday on or before full moon
124	Cedar	17	Morris	Geo. W. Anderson	W. R. McKeen	First and third Tuesdays of each month
747	Centennial	28	Philo	Arthur G. Dixson	C. F. Van Vleck	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
71	Central	30	Springfield	Geo. T. Dutton	E. G. Weathers	Second Monday of each month
201	Centralia	42	Centralia	D. B. Robertson	J. J. Touve	First and third Fridays of each month
600	Cerro Gordo	28	Cerro Gordo	J. C. Locher	Philip Dobson	Friday on or before full moon

867	Chadwick	10	Chas. R. Woy	H. L. Spealman	First and third Mondays of each month
373	Chambersburg	32	F. L. Hobbs	S. J. Hobbs	Saturday on or after full moon
724	Chandlerville	31	J. W. Cherry	Wm. W Mullen	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
262	Channahon	17	Wm. L. Bell	Clare Cavender	Tuesday on or before full moon
718	Chapel Hill	48	J. L. Harrell	Jas. A. Graham	Saturday on or after full moon
838	Charity	22	T. R. Wright	Seth Chandler	Wednesday on or before full moon
35	Charleston	38	Thos. T. Shoemaker.	Fred N. Todd	First and third Tuesdays of each month
236	Charter Oak	36	Litchfield	Harry C. Gorin	First and third Thursdays of each month
523	Chatham	30	Chatham	E. L. Hederick	Saturday on or before full moon
539	Chatsworth	19	Chatsworth	Stephen S. Hitch	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
429	Chebanse	18	Chebanse	Henry Wulffe	Wednesday on or before full moon
468	Cheneys Grove	26	Saybrook	Thos. W. Nixon	First and third Tuesdays of each month.
292	Chenoa	26	Chenoa	W. A. Chapman	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
173	Cherry Valley	9	Cherry Valley	Wm. N. Garrett	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
72	Chester	44	Chester	Louis Kurtz	First and third Saturdays of each month
445	Chesterfield	35	Chesterfield	W. J. Finch	Monday on or before full moon
437	Chicago	5	Chicago.	Henry Friedman	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
851	Chicago Heights	3	Chicago Heights	James Cropper	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
955	Cicero	2	Chicago	Louis Mongreig	
938	Circle	6	Oak Park	Louis Kroc	Second and Fourth Thursdays
603	Clark	39	Martinsville	Isaac Winters	Thursday on or before full moon
153	Clay	45	Ashley	H. A Walker	First and third Mondays of each month
488	Clay City	42	Clay City	W. L. Holman	Saturday on or before full moon
147	Clayton	33	Clayton	John M. Shank	First and third Mondays of each month
680	Clement	14	Colona	C. E. Peterson	Tuesday on or before full moon
211	Cleveland	7	Chicago	Will J. Bell	First and third Wednesdays of each month.
688	Clifton	18	Clifton	Peter Wright	Tuesday on or before full moon
19	Clinton	30	Petersburg	J. P. Grosball	Third Monday of each month
466	Cobden	49	Cobden	H. D. Lawrence	First Thursday of each month
906	Coffeen	36	Coffeen	O. M. Denton	Second Friday of each month.
496	Colchester	23	Colchester	Richard H. Curnow	First and third Tuesdays of each month
799	Colfax	26	Colfax	John J. Ove	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
712	Collinsville	43	Collinsville	W. C. Hadley	Tuesday on or before full moon
714	Collison	27	Collison	D. M. Fowler	Second and fourth Saturdays
474	Columbia	44	Columbia	Herman L. Rose	Friday on or before full moon
819	Columbian	2	Chicago	Chas. P. Molthoop	First and third Fridays of each month
227	Columbus	33	Columbus	J. E. V Lee	Wednesday on or before full moon
641	Comet	25	Minier	M H. Hand	Second and fourth Monday of each month
922	Compass	6	Chicago	John Mutter	Second and fourth Tuesday
879	Composite	2	Chicago	Oliver C. Tennant	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
917	Concord	4	Chicago	Oscar T. Spetz	First, third and fifth Thursdays of each month.
783	Constantia	5	Chicago	Edmund Weber	First and third Thursdays of each month
892	Constellation	3	Chicago	Jos. W. Kyle	First and hird Wednesdays of each month
489	Cooper	40	Willow Hill	W. A. Jones	Saturday on or before full moon
543	Cordova	14	Cordova	W. H. Moody	Friday on or before full moon
205	Corinthian	13	Paw Paw	T. H. Stetler	First and third Fridays of each month
868	Cornell	19	Cornell	S. G. Sands	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
875	Corner Stone	6	Chicago	Chas. Cunnard	First and third Tuesdays of each month
808	Cornland	25	Cornland	E. A. Haynes	Saturday on or before full moon
920	Cottonwood	47	Cottonwood	D. A. Bryant	First and third Fridays of each month

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526	Covenant	2	Chicago	Paul G. Dunn	Frank E. Morey	First and third Fridays of each month
666	Crawford	40	Eaton	C. E. Mitchell	Jas. T. Athey	*Saturdays on or before full and new moon
817	Creal Springs	48	Creal Springs	Clyde G. Heasley	R. Heasley	*Tuesday on or before full moon
895	Crescent	5	Chicago	David R. Roller	Samuel Wohl	Every Wednesday
320	Creston	11	Creston	Thos. W. Fowler	Andrew Kerr	First Monday of each month
763	Crete	17	Crete	L. S. Cole	J. E. Peck	Third Saturday of each month
534	Cuba	23	Cuba	S. C. Duffie	C. L. Fink	Monday on or before full moon
U D	Cypress	49	Cypress			
188	Cyrus	10	Mt. Carroll	J. M. Landis	Reuben H. Wood	First and third Tuesdays of each month
235	Dallas City	24	Dallas City	E. H. Baker	E. K. Symmonds	Saturday on or before full moon
888	Damascus	6	Chicago	Ora E. Chapin	Robt. A. Anderson	First and third Fridays of each month
742	Danvers	26	Danvers	John S. Popple	Edward S. Sloan	Thursday on or before full moon
556	Dawson	30	Dawson	Wm. R. Constant	J. W. Smith	Saturday on or before full moon
643	D. C. Cregier	2	Chicago	Fred F. Handrup	Albert Betz	Wednesday of each week
833	Dean	48	Ava	Roger Walwark	Jerome T. Hayes	Saturday on or before full moon
310	Dearborn	4	Chicago	C. B. Burt	Wm. A. Lynch	First and third Thursdays of each month
144	DeKalb	11	DeKalb	Arthur B. Steuben	F. E. Wagley	First and third Wednesdays of each month
812	DeLand	28	DeLand	G. S. Walker	R. B. Moody	Tuesday on or before full moon
156	Delavan	25	Delavan	L. W. Lawton	Chas. B. Wood	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
951	De Pue	15	De Pue	Fred'k C. Drewitz	D. C. Wray	Saturday on or before full moon
464	Denver	24	Denver	F. M. Harter	J. M. Fleming	Saturday on or before full moon
287	DeSoto	48	DeSoto	Jas. H. Youngkin	Marion Kelley	Saturday on or before full moon
890	Des Plaines	1	Des Plaines	Chas. M. Larson	Herman Haas	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
84	DeWitt	29	Clinton	Wm. D. Sylvester	M. G. Taylor	Friday on or before full moon
295	Dills	24	West Point	W. G. Barnard	J. Karl Gordon	Thursday on or before full moon
581	Dongola	49	Dongola	H. C. Lentz	R. S. Dillow	First and third Thursdays of each month
952	Donovan	18	Donovan	E. J. Donovan	J. W. Nelson	
255	Donnellson	36	Donnellson	C. C. Mansfield	W. H. Young	Tuesday on or before each full moon
319	Doric	14	Moline	H. S. Ransom	W. L. Straw	First Thursday of each month
361	Douglas	44	Mascoutah	J. R. Jones	George Draser	First Saturday of each month
190	Dundee	12	Dundee	W. S. Bright	W. R. Wintering ham	First and third Fridays of each month
321	Dunlap	13	Morrison	Ferd. Trautwein	H. J. Ludens	First and third Mondays of each month
234	DuQuoin	45	DuQuoin	Edward Musselman	Peter W. Gunster	Second Thursday of each month
302	Durand	9	Durand	Edward Nelson	F. J. Lins	First and third Thursdays of each month
504	East St. Louis	44	East St. Louis	E. S. McIntyre	Chas. L. Davis	First and third Thursdays of each month
923	East Gate	7	Chicago	Wm. J. McKeen	Benj. D. Mayer	First and Third Thursdays
672	Eddyville	50	Eddyville	Jasper N. Maynor	H. G. Maynor	Saturday on or before full moon at 2 p.m
829	Edgar	39	Hume	H L. Morrow	Geo. W. Hughes	Tuesday on or before full moon
901	Edgewater	3	Chicago	Chas. H. Kern	Chas. J. Weiskopf	First and third Wednesdays
484	Edgewood	41	Edgewood	Oscar O. Dürre	Wilbur Bartley	Saturday on or before full moon
164	Edward Dobbins	46	Lawrenceville	C. F. Stoll	Chas T. Eshelman	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
99	Edwardsville	43	Edwardsville	T. M. Crossman	Albert L. Alpiser	First and third Thursdays of each month
149	Effingham	41	Effingham	Mannie L. Elbow	David L. Wright	First Friday of each month
833	E. F. W. Ellis	9	Rockford	Arthur Eastwood	Geo. A. Southam	Second and fourth Fridays of each month

388	El Dara	32	El Dara	P. A. Moyer	Roy F. Strubinger	Saturday on or before full moon
730	Eldorado	47	Eldorado	Cecil C. Camp	D. L. Wood, Sr.	Friday on or before full moon
117	Elgin	12	Elgin	Thos. B. Rowlands	D. L. McClaine	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
276	Elizabeth	50	Elizabethtown	Jno. Q. A. Ledbetter	Arthur A. Miles	First and third Thursdays of each month
903	Elkhart	25	Elkhart	Logan Barber	J. B. Taylor	Wednesday on or before full moon
941	Elmhurst	12	Elmhurst	Anton E. Nelson	John L. Greaves	First and third Fridays
246	El Paso	20	El Paso	P. H. Andrews	M. A. Adams	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
715	Elvaston	24	Elvaston	C. B. Garard	Geo. R. Pilkington	Tuesday on or before full moon
919	Elwood	17	Elwood	Christian Nielsen	James C. Beattie	Thursday on or before full moon
796	E. M. Husted	34	Roodhouse	W. F. Thompson	W. A. Jolley	Monday on or before full moon of each month
126	Empire	25	Pekin	H. P. Weyhrich	Henry Evans	First and third Thursdays of each month
677	Enfield	46	Enfield	Chas. W. McCurdy	Jno. N. Wilson	First and third Fridays of each month
690	Englewood	7	Chicago	Chas. M. Larson	Herman Haas	Monday of each week
2	Equality	47	Equality	W. M. Sawyer	F. O Sawyer	Wednesday before full moon
878	Equity	1	Chicago	Harry C. Kinne	Rasmus Hansen	First and third Saturdays of each month
667	Erie	13	Erie	J. T. Kirkland	S. A. Eddy	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
65	Euclid	12	Naperville	E. C. Shaffer	Chas. D. Faust	First and third Tuesdays of each month
69	Eureka	14	Milan	R. E. Little	Geo. N. Campbell	Friday on or before full moon
524	Evans	1	Evanston	Wm. J. Bristow	Otto C. Wehrstedt	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
414	Evening Star	9	Davis	T. H. Briggs	Edward Degunther	First and third Fridays of each month
170	Evergreen	9	Freeport	Edgar E. Keck	Fred J. Jastram	First and third Mondays of each month
705	Ewing	45	Ewing	D. G. Fitzgerrell	John W. Hill	Saturday on or before full moon
97	Excelsior	9	Freeport	Chas. C. Wolf	Edward J. Hoag	First and third Fridays of each month
424	Exeter	34	Exeter	Clyde Funk	Norman Campbell	Thursday on or before full moon
206	Fairfield	42	Fairfield	W. L. Grubb	H. H. Moore	First and third Mondays of each month
590	Fairmount	27	Fairmount	J. E. Miles	Ransom Bloomer	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
350	Fairview	23	Fairview	John W. Gaddis	L. B. Travers	Thursday on before full moon
601	Farina	41	Farina	J. R. Dillon	C. E. Wenck	First and third Saturdays of each mouth
710	Farmer City	29	Farmer City	E. A. Williams	S. R. Mitchell	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
232	Farmers	50	Brookport	Emery E. Keetor	Robert Adkins	Saturday on or before full moon
192	Farmington	23	Farmington	W. M. Anderson	C. M. Routson	Fourth Friday of each month
189	Fellowship	43	Marion	J. C. B. Smith	A. M. Edwards	First Tuesday of each month
152	Fidelity	35	Medora	Chas. W. Tietsort	Rolla N. Clower	Wednesday on or before full moon
842	Fides	7	West Pullman	Guy H. Castle	Gail S. Hamilton	First and third Thursdays of each month
592	Fieldon	36	Fieldon	Elias F. Brown	John T. Brown	Saturday on or before full moon
670	Fillmore	36	Fillmore	M. B. Kessinger	C. H. Rameyer	Monday on or before full moon
831	Findlay	37	Findlay	C. A. Tucker	E E. Shanks	First and third Fridays
585	Fisher	37	Grove City	S. M. Holben	John Wm. Harmon	Tuesdays on or before full moon
204	Flora	42	Flora	W. L. Hanna	John B. Hazle, jr	First Wednesday of each month
614	Forrest	19	Forrest	Bearl C. Miller	H M. Miller	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
567	Frankfort	45	West Frankfort	Noel V. Greathouse	Andrew J. Darris	First and third Thursdays of each month
35	Franklin	43	Upper Alton	H. T. Burnap	Melvin A. Greeding	Third Saturday of each month
264	Franklin Grove	13	Franklin Grove	N. A. Whitney	F. M. Banker	Wednesday on or after full moon
58	Fraternal	28	Monticello	C. P. Watts	H. J. Evans	Wednesday on or before full moon
418	Freeburg	44	Freeburg	Andrew Krauss	C. A. Whittaker	Saturday on before fuil moon
194	Freedom	16	Freedom	Jed. E. Keeler	Chas. P. Lucas	Saturday on or before full moon
872	Free Will	27	Oakwood	Z. S. Saylor	Delbert Meade	First and Thursdays of each month
7	Friendship	13	Dixon	O. B. Anderson	Jas. B. Lennon	Thursday on or before full moon
341	Full Moon	34	Grafton	C. J. Slaten	Bird Crull	Saturday on or before full moon

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189	Fulton City	13	Fulton	J. M. Eaton	S. E. Long	Monday on or before full moon
684	Galatia	47	Galatia	Otis Stone	J. F. Ryan	Saturday on or before full moon
243	Galva	14	Galva	E. S. Sanders	Jos. O. Stephenson	First and third Tuesdays of each month
141	Garden City	3	Chicago	Geo. H. Vaupell	Julius A. Hafner	Tuesday of each week
573	Gardner	17	Gardner	H. J. Hansen	M. H. Shinker	First and third Mondays of each month
686	Garfield	6	Chicago	Chas. W. Walduck	Harry C. Stiles	First and third Tuesdays of each month
139	Geneva	12	Geneva	W. A. Schwarz	W. M. Raftree	First and third Tuesdays of each month
288	Genoa	11	Genoa	C. D. Schoonmaker	A. M. Barcus	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
222	Geo. Washington	20	Chillicothe	A. M. Root	John Weaver	First and third Mondays of each month
482	Germania	5	Chicago	R. L. Heydacker	Wm. F. Withers	First and third Thursdays of each month
733	Gibson	19	Gibson City	P. C. McKay	C. W. Knapp	First and third Mondays of each month
382	Gill	31	Lynnville	Geo. R Middleton	T. R. Dodsworth	Tuesday on or before full moon
214	Gillespie	35	Gillespie	David Shaw	J. N. English	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
809	Gillham	36	Woburn	W. A. Elam	Daniel R. Elam	Thursday on or before full moon
591	Gilman	18	Gilman	W. E. Atkinson	C. H. Condit	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
908	Gil. W. Barnard	5	Chicago	R. F. Cheyne	Jas. H. Lillie	First and third Fridays of each month
171	Girard	35	Girard	O. B. Metcalf	Jas. W. Ray	Monday on or before full moon
950	Glen Ellyn	12	Glen Ellyn	John L. M ssurier	Herbert Lane	
131	Golconda	50	Golconda	Sam'l. L. Morse	Barney Phelps	Monday on or before full moon
248	Golden Gate	23	Prairie City	D. E. Wittenmeyer	Emmet Dunbar	First and third Tuesdays of each month
726	Golden Rule	5	Chicago	Adna J. Cornell	Paul J. Kettner	First and third Wednesdays of each month
617	Good Hope	23	Good Hope	James Statler	Frank E. Harden	Thursday on or before full moon
744	Goode	45	Valier	C. E. Veach	L. G. Payne	Saturday on or before full moon
473	Gordon	36	Pocahontas	D. R. Wilkins	Edward R. Davis	Friday on or before full moon
852	Gothic	44	East St. Louis	I. H. Todd	H. C. Windt	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
660	Grand Chain	50	New Grand Chain	J. A. Gaskill	A. W. Tarr	Monday on or before full moon
776	Grand Crossing	1	Chicago	L. A. Pierce	Geo. F. Barton	Saturday of each week
877	Granite City	43	Granite City	John W. Costley	Jas. W. Mills	First and third Saturdays of each month
928	Grant Park	18	Grant Park	Cass J Hayden	Orcutt N. Carr	First and third Fridays
129	Greenfield	34	Greenfield	Thornton G. Capps	Jas. A. Cravers	Friday on or before full moon
125	Greenup	39	Greenup	Ed Peters	W. W. Rothrock	*Thursday on or before full moon
653	Greenview	30	Greenview	R. S. Robinson	Jas. O. McKee	Tuesday on or before full moon
245	Greenville	36	Greenville	C. K. Denny	E. S. Titus	First Wednesday of each month
45	Griggsville	32	Griggsville	John S. Felmley	G. E. Conroy	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
824	Grove	12	Downer's Grove	Bert C. White	B. L. Kellogg	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
352	Groveland	25	Morton	Y. T. Kiblinger	H. C. McMillen	Monday on or before full moon
778	Gurney	49	Allen Springs	Relus Evans	A. T. Hazel	Saturday on or before full moon at 2 o'clock p. m.
443	Hampshire	12	Hampshire	Alex Reid	O. L. Koch	First and third Tuesdays of each month
20	Hancock	24	Carthage	Wm H Bartels	Jas. L. Martin	Second Monday of each month
905	Hanover	10	Hanover	Franklin Miller	John J. Miller	Second Friday of each month
731	Harbor	6	Chicago	Frank J. Wnizeler	Robt. S. Laidlaw	Wednesday of each week
44	Hardin	32	Mt. Sterling	Herbert A. Perry	Chas. I. Keith	*Saturday on or before full moon
756	Hardinsville	40	Hardinsville	John R. McKinney	Irwin G. Pringle	First and third Saturdays
3	Harmony	31	Jacksonville	John R. Phillips	Asa M. Robinson	First and third Mondays of each month

325	Harrisburg	47	J. W. Richardson	R. C. Davenport	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
309	Harvard	8	H. H. Megran	P. E. Whittleton	First and third Mondays of each month	
832	Harvey	3	John J. Gard	R. B. Harwood	Second and fourth Mondays of each month	
88	Havana	31	Adolph Schill	Henry Z. Borgelt	First Monday of each month	
580	Hazel Dell	39	J. G. Sample	Elmer Ritter	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
604	Hebron	8	E. A Mead	Chas. W. Bailey	First and third Wednesdays of each month	
820	Henderson	29	Kenney	Perry Wene	Saturday on or before full moon	
119	Henry	15	Henry	Elmer Quinn	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month	
669	Herder	4	Chicago	Gustav Schaetz	First and third Mondays of each month	
39	Herman	33	Quincy	P. J Schlagenhauf	First and third Tuesdays of each month	
356	Hermitage	46	Albion	Wm. R. Strawn	First and third Mondays of each month	
193	Herrick	24	Pontoosuc	Jas. Lamb	Saturday on or before full moon	
693	Herrin	48	Herrin's Prairie	Horace Barnhill	First and third Thursdays of each month	
411	Hesperia	3	Chicago	Gerry R. Walker	John A. Asserson	Thursday of each week
251	Heyworth	26	Heyworth	Ed. Uhrich	L. T. Rutledge	First and third Tuesdays in each month
249	Hibbard	35	Brighton	Thos. A. Jones	S Gilson Brown	Second Saturday of each month
583	Highland	43	Highland	Louis J. Appel	B. D. Tibbetts	First Thursday of each month
301	Hinckley	11	Hinckley	A. F. Prince	Frank Whitson	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
837	Hindsboro	38	Hindsboro	Chas. W. Mitchell	Oler Langley	Wednesday on or before full moon
934	Hinsdale	12	Hinsdale	Frank Van Inwagen	Wm. L. Wilson	First and third Thursday
508	Home	7	Chicago	Henry H. Blake	Robt. C. Cantelon	Friday of each week
199	Homer	28	Homer	J. C. V. Taylor	Harry Barcus	Tuesday on or before full moon
886	Hooppole	14	Hooppole	C. W. Groves	Carl Lorenzen	Second and fourth Tuesday of each month
162	Hope	44	Sparta	R. J. McAllister	S. E. Grigg	Friday on or before full moon
622	Hopedale	25	Hopedale	D. W. Segler	H. F. Flenneken	First and third Thursdays of each month
363	Horeb	20	Elmwood	H. L. Kelly	Evans C. Wiley	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
244	Horicon	11	Rochelle	W. D. Pickle	W. F. Hackett	First and third Tuesdays of each month
910	Hull	32	Hull	Henry W. East	Geo. W. Lawrance	Thursday on or before full moon
555	Humboldt	16	Ottawa	J. Charles Gleim	Henry L. Arnold	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
813	Humboldt Park	6	Chicago	John C. Groetzinger	Peter A. Bouchelle	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
465	Huntsville	24	Huntsville	C. E Bilderback	Tivis Bilderback	Saturday on or before full moon
136	Hutsonville	40	Hutsonville	Fred W Pearce	Calvin Wilson	Monday on or before full and new moon
698	Hutton	39	Diona	C. A. Tinsman	C. W. McMorris	Saturday on or before full moon
463	Illinois	20	Peoria	Isaac M. Hornbacker	Chas. R. Kelley	Fourth Tuesday of each month
178	Illinois Central	13	Amboy	V. B. Andruss	R L. Virgil	First and third Mondays of each month
521	Illiopolis	30	Illiopolis	L. D. Barnum	H. C. Roberts	Thursday on or before full moon
327	Industry	23	Industry	T. D. Sullivan	O. E. Kinkade	Thursday on or before full moon
691	Iola	42	Iola	Arthur White	Elie Patrick	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
312	Ionic	29	Decatur	Elmer O. Brintlinger	Wm. L. Allen	Second Monday of each month
213	Ipava	23	Ipava	S. M. Kinsey	Arthur Brown	Saturday on or before full moon
455	Irving	36	Irving	Joseph Platt	C. F. Laws	First Monday of each month
53	Jackson	37	Shelbyville	W. S. Amlin	Wm. Taylor	Wednesday on or before full moon
915	Jackson Park	2	Chicago	John C House	John T. Brown	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
570	Jacksonville	31	Jacksonville	E. L. Kinney	Chas O. Phelps	First and third Thursdays of each month
510	John D. Moody	42	Iuka	Wm. C. Hinderer	Noble S. Songer	Friday on or before full moon
368	Jefferson	45	Opdyke	M. V. B. Montgomery	Edward C. Polen	Wednesday on or before full moon
460	Jeffersonville	42	Jeffersonville	Wat Bestow	C. N. Hambleton	Second and fourth Saturdays in each month
394	Jerseyville	34	Jerseyville	J. G. Erwin	Lewis Alexander	Monday on or before full moon
90	Jerusalem T'mple	12	Aurora	E. Homer Cooley	Jos. B. Roach	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month

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880	J. B. Sherman	3	Chicago	Fred T. Rusch	Henry C. Dyckman	Tuesday of each week
318	J. L. Anderson	24	Augusta	John D. Hess	Benj. F. Bacon	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
278	Jo Daviess	10	Warren	E. J. Wilcox	I. N. Swain	Second and fourth Fridays
944	J. Corson Smith	1	Chicago	Joseph D. Roderick	Louis Steinberg	First and third Wednesdays
713	Johnsonville	42	Johnsonville	M. M. Galbraith	W. M. Alvis	First and third Saturdays of each month
111	Jonesboro	49	Jonesboro	Ed Lee	Jas. S. Gore	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
930	Joseph Robbins	20	Peoria	Frank Nelson	Geo. W. McAvoy	Fourth Thursday
706	Joppa	37	Cowden	Chas. E. Zeigler	H. O. Knowles	First and third Wednesdays of each month
946	Joy	22	Joy	Harvey R. Kiddoo	Orlando Brown	Second and fourth Thursdays
537	J. R. Gorin	28	Sadorus	E. B. DeLong	W. Lee Roughton	Saturday on or before full moon
949	Justice	3	Chicago	Ingvard M. Scott	Aaron C. Koethe	Every Monday
389	Kankakee	18	Kankakee	Chas. F. Whitmore	Christian Ruhle	First and third Tuesdays of each month
280	Kansas	39	Kansas	Will R. Forbes	R. Walker Briscoe	*Wednesday on or before full moon
86	Kaskaskia	44	Evansville	Geo. N. Sauer	Wm. M. Schuwerk	First Saturday after first quarter of each moon.
36	Kavanaugh	10	Elizabeth	W. J. Dovey	A. E. Mogan	Saturday on or before full moon
340	Kedron	37	Mt. Auburn	L. J. Smith	J. M. Wiswell	Wednesday on or before full moon
471	Kendall	12	Yorkville	J. A. Godard	Paul L. Hoadley	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
430	Kendrick	32	Timewell	Wm. H. McPhail	Daniel R. Peters	Saturday on or before full moon
947	Kenmore	2	Chicago	Albert T. Maul	Frank Spensley	First and third Mondays
804	Kensington	4	Chicago	H. A. Wray	John A. Cook	Saturday of each week
800	Kenwood	3	Chicago	Arthur J. Raney	Chas. S. Barker	Monday of each week
159	Kewanee	14	Kewanee	J. M. Thrasher	Arthur P Hare	First and third Fridays of each month
639	Keystone	7	Chicago	P. E. Stevens	G. H. Allmendinger	First and third Wednesdays of each month
311	Killwinning	5	Chicago	Norton F. Stone	Edward H. Thomas	First and third Thursdays of each month
353	Kinderhook	32	Kinderhook	F. A. Longnecker	Earl Bonifield	Wednesday on or before full moon
855	King Oscar	5	Chicago	Nels J. Johnson	Nels Otto Johnson	First and third Fridays of each month
197	King Solomon's	34	Kane	H. B. Ingalls	W. G. Spurgin	Saturday before full moon
266	Kingston	33	Fairweather	E. A. Stockwell	Floyd D. Kelly	Saturday on or before full moon
398	Kinmundy	42	Kinmundy	Wm. H. Gray	Edward R. Hensley	First and third Tuesdays in each month
402	Kishwaukee	11	Kingston	O. W. Vickell	H. G. Burgess	Thursday on or before full moon
896	Kosmos	6	Chicago	R. E. Baker	R. G. Lippert	Every Friday of each month
61	Lacon	15	Lacon	R. H. Maxwell	E. D. Kenward	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
657	La Fayette	48	Grand Tower	L. M. Crow	C. D. Gardiner	Thursday on or before full moon
770	La Grange	6	LaGrange	Norton L. Rowley	R. O. Bird	First and third Tuesdays of each month
195	LaHarpe	24	La Harpe	Philip Schnur	Geo. E. Campbell	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
729	Lake Creek	48	Johnston City	Birt Peterson	John Boyer	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
739	Lakeside	7	Chicago	John M. Finley	Robt. E. Nixon	Second and fourth Wednesdays in each month
774	Lake View	7	Chicago	Chas. A. Rhode	John C. Kuck	First and third Tuesdays of each month
659	Lambert	33	Quincy	Chas. E Lane	Wm. W. Lewis	First and third Thursdays of each month
383	La Moille	15	La Moille	H. M. Hopps	F. W. Koeppe	*Friday on or before full moon
935	La Moine	24	Brooklyn	Thos. D. Lewis	J. E. Conn, Jr.	Monday on or before
423	Lanark	10	Lanark	J. F. Slickinger	Chas. E. Olmstead	First and third Thursdays of each month
106	Lancaster	20	Glasford	J. I. Maple	S. S. Duffield	Friday on or before full moon
422	Landmark	4	Chicago	John Hosbury	Orin M. Bales	Friday of each week

267	La Prairie	33	Golden	Seneca Selby	Chas. R. Chinn	First and third Monday of each month
853	Latham	25	Latham	M. M. Vaughn	D. W. Phillips	Saturday on or before full moon
203	Lavely	30	Williamsville	I. M. Pancake	A. D. VanMeter	Saturday on or after full moon
815	Lawn	7	Chicago	J. R. Hayden	A. G. Conn	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
415	Lawn Ridge	21	Speer	Wm. Gray	Grant Burdick	Wednesday on or before full moon
110	Lebanon	44	Lebanon	J. B. Sager	Emil J. Brown	Tuesday on or before full moon
146	Lee Center	13	Lee Center	A. Aschenbrenner	B. F. Lane	Friday on or before full moon
558	Leland	16	Leland	Wm. Julian	J. M. Reynolds	First and third Wednesdays of each month
174	Lena	9	Lena	Geo. A. Boeke	D M. DeGraff	Wednesday on or before full moon
788	Lerna	38	Lerna	R. G. Hall	Wm. H. Williams	Saturday on or before full moon
221	Leroy	26	Leroy	G. F. Wait	Wm. H. Vert	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
557	Lessing	4	Chicago	Alex Lampe	Adolph Steidle	First and third Tuesdays in each month
270	Levi Lusk	15	Arlington	S. P. Prescott	Zimri Smith	Wednesday on or before full moon
104	Lewistown	23	Lewistown	Amos Law	L. L. Lilly	Friday on or before full moon
482	Lexington	26	Lexington	R. L. Heydacker	Wm. F. Whithers	First and third Thursdays of each month
380	Liberty	33	Liberty	A. H. D. Buttz	E. J. Grubb	Thurs. on or before full moon, and 2 weeks after
492	Libertyville	8	Libertyville	Chas. F. Smale, Jr.	Julius A. Treptow	Second and fourth Saturdays in each month
135	Lima	33	Lima	W. D. Kendrick	Wm. H. Hess	Wednesday on or before full moon
611	Lincoln Park	6	Chicago	Claude L. Griggs	John M. Bryant	First and third Fridays of each month
517	Litchfield	36	Litchfield	Thos. C. Morris	F. C. Blackweeder	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
766	Littleton	24	Littleton	Clarence O. Snyder	L. L. Horney	Saturday on or before full moon
371	Livingston	19	Dwight	Frank W. Ford	Julius M. Wright	First and third Mondays of each month
450	Loami	30	Loami	I. W. Hall	Fred Ebel	Wednesday on or before full moon
538	Lockport	17	Lockport	M. P. Johnson	M. E. Keig	First and third Wednesdays of each month
523	Locust	37	Owaneco	Wm. McCluskey	J. T. Brandon	Saturday on or before full moon
210	Logan	25	Lincoln	G. W. Paisley	W. D. Gayle	First and third Tuesdays of each month
891	Logan Square	2	Chicago	Wm. H. Hadam	F. A. H. Olsen	First and third Wednesdays of each month
848	London	23	London Mills	Jas. T. Ray	E. E Sampson	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
552	Long Point	19	Long Point	J. C. Huetson	B. F. Colehoner	First and third Tuesdays of each month
893	Loraine	33	Loraine	P. F. Rice	L. R. Nutt	Wednesday on or before full moon
870	Lostant	16	Lostant	Geo. F. Bell	Alfied H. Bell	First and third Thursdays of each month
196	Louisville	42	Louisville	H. J. Cossing	Ira B. Sims	Thursday on or before full moon
751	Lounsbury	1	Barrington	A. T. Ulitsch	Emil E. Myer	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
228	Lovington	38	Lovington	G. W. Bryant	W. B. Shirey	Saturday on or before full moon
750	Lyndon	13	Lyndon	A. F. Riley	Walter Austin	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
132	Mackinaw	25	Mackinaw	M. A. Stout	Jas. A. Long, Sr.	Saturday on or before full moon
17	Macomb	23	Macomb	W. E. Dudman	S. P. Odenweller	First Friday of each month
8	Macon	29	Decatur	Alba A. Jones	E. D. Conrad	First Friday of each month
560	Madison	43	New Douglas	Henry Scharf	Oscar Latowsky	Friday on or before full moon
103	Magnolia	15	Magnolia	S B. Mitchell	Henry L. Small	First and third Saturdays of each month
220	Mahomet	28	Mahomet	M. K. Busey	Frank E. Bryan	Monday on or before full moon
434	Makanda	48	Makanda	H. V. Gher	H. R. Row	Thursday on or before fulmoon
229	Manchester	34	Manchester	W. T. Knox	Rudolph Rohlfs	Tuesday on or before full moon
476	Manito	31	Manito	F. H. Franzlan	Samuel R. Loar	Second and fourth Wednesday
933	Manlius	15	Manlius	Almer M Thompson	J. Lester Martin	First Wednesday of each month
773	Mansfield	28	Mansfield	Fred A. Rock	Cary B. Kirk	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
942	Maple Park	12	Chicago	Willard E. Fillmore	H. G. Gerlack	Second and fourth Wednesday
530	Maquon	21	Maquon	Geo. G. Shearer	J. E. Shearer	First and third Wednesdays

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114	Marcelline	33	Marcelline	F. P. Taylor	Benj. F. Bryant	Saturday on or before full moon
138	Marengo	8	Marengo	A. M. Osborne	W. B. Jaycox	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
355	Marine	43	Marine	Louis Brandes	Chas. Loos	Wednesday on or before full moon
130	Marion	42	Salem	L. O. Vogt	Will S. Slack	First and third Wednesdays of each month
881	Marissa	44	Marissa	F. J. Wagner	C. Beckman	Saturday on or before full moon
454	Maroa	29	Maroa	Jas. H. Sterling	Cary F. Crum	First Tuesday of each month
417	Marseilles	16	Marseilles	John H. Goodell	E. R. Spencer	First and third Tuesdays of each month
133	Marshall	39	Marshall	Burds D. Smith	L. A. Wallace	Wednesday on or before full moon
491	Martin	10	East Dubuque	Sam'l K. Caldwell	R. H. Heller	First Saturday of each month
845	Martinton	18	Martinton	B. E. Euchner	Wm. E. Albright	First and third Thursdays of each month
217	Mason	41	Mason	J. L. Goddard	R. C. Anderson	Wednesday on or before full moon
403	Mason City	31	Mason City	J. F. Culp	H. O. Roqier	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
175	Matteson	17	Joliet	Jno. B. Fithian	A. VanBenthuysen	First and third Tuesdays of each month
260	Mattoon	38	Mattoon	S. B. Patheal	John A. Horn	First and third Mondays of each month
718	May	46	Norris City	Jerome L. Harrell	Jas. A. Graham	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
664	Mayo	41	Winterrowd	J. M. Clagg	Jas A. McCorkle	Saturday on or before full moon
869	Maywood	4	Maywood	M. E. Brigham	Leslie E. Birch	First and third Tuesdays of each month
826	Mazon	17	Mazon	R H. Davies	Geo. W. Smith	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
158	McHenry	8	McHenry	H. E. Price	R. G. Chamberlin	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
469	McLean	26	McLean	Wm. N. Ewing	S. B. VanNess	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
811	Melvin	19	Melvin	Geo. T Iehl	H. N. Boshell	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
449	Mendon	33	Mendon	J. R. Urech	G. F. Warner	Saturday on or before full moon
176	Mendota	16	Mendota	Ed Lathrop	O. P. Harris	Second Tuesday of each month
183	Meridian	16	Earlville	G. H. Wiley	F. E. Blakeslee	First and third Wednesdays of each month
505	Meridian Sun	11	Holcomb	F. E. Sheaff	J. A. Sechler	Saturday on or before full moon
283	Meteor	11	Sandwich	C. L. Stinson	L. M. Hubbard	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
91	Metropolis	50	Metropolis	E. G. Whyers, Jr	R. D. Simmons	First Monday of each month
860	Metropolitan	6	Chicago	Luke Nettleton	John C. Jones	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
595	Miles Hart	38	Gays	E. C. Harrison	J B. Bolan	Wednesday on or before full moon
168	Milford	18	Milford	I. R. Shanton	M. E. Crist	First and third Thursdays of each month
345	Milledgeville	10	Milledgeville	Fay O. Wolfe	Wm. P. Hacker	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
275	Milton	32	Milton	T. M. Lindsey	Geo. Stephenson	Saturday before each full moon
273	Miners	10	Galena	Forrest H. Turner	C. N. Pond	First and third Fridays of each month
528	Minooka	17	Minooka	Chas. H. Parmenter	R J Churchill	First and third Thursdays of each month
385	Mississippi	10	Savanna	D Witt C. Smith	Wm. S. Wallace	First and third Thursdays of each month
85	Mitchell	45	Pinckneyville	Sam'l W. Reynolds	Alva R. Dry	Second Monday of each month
410	Mithra	2	Chicago	Fred Knoop	Chas. Lauer	First and third Wednesdays of each month
768	Mizpah	5	Chicago	John E. Russell	Chas. Randall	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
925	Molenna	42	Golden Gate	L. G. Scott	G. A. McDonald	First and third Saturdays
481	Momence	18	Momence	F. E. Lane	Mose A. Searls	First and third Thursdays of each month
522	Monitor	12	Elgin	W. H. Seeley	A. G. Wampole	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
37	Monmouth	22	Monmouth	D. D. Dunkle	D. Q. Webster	First and third Thursdays of each month

734	Morning Star	23	Canton	T. L. Frazier	A. L. Owings	First and third Tuesdays of each month
787	Morris	44	Waterloo	C. M. Fike	J. F. Wm. Binder	Fourth Saturday of each month
681	Morrisonville	37	Morrisonville	A. L. Stocks	John M. Beckes	Thursday on or before full moon
122	Mound	37	Taylorville	W. M. Shaw	S. P. Bowver	First Tuesday of each month
180	Moweaqua	37	Moweaqua	Chas. E. Colbert	Will P. Thompson	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
656	Mozart	26	Bloomington	Peter F. Holerman	Henry Reimann	Second Tuesday of each month
239	Mt. Carmel	46	Mt. Carmel	W. P. Orland	R. R Slausfield	First and third Tuesdays of each month
331	Mt. Erie	42	Mt. Erie	Paul Campbell	Jno. Griefzu	First and third Saturdays of each month
42	Mt. Joliet	17	Joliet	Fred E Whallon	E. N. Harris	First and third Fridays of each month
51	Mt. Moriah	36	Hillsboro	W. O. Chase	James Welch	First and third Thursdays of each month
76	Mt. Nebo	35	Carlinville	S. W. David	Andrew J. Duggan	First and third Thursdays of each month
87	Mt. Pulaski	25	Mt. Pulaski	C. M. Silkey	Robt. D. Clark	Saturday on or before full moon
31	Mt. Vernon	45	Mt. Vernon	Chas. U. Stull	Wm. A. Cowger	First and third Mondays of each month
396	Muddy Point	38	Trilla	Henry McPherson	Lewis Alexander	Tuesday on or before full moon
498	Murphysboro	48	Murphysboro	R. L. Hagler	J. R. Hathaway	Monday on or before full moon
432	Murrayville	31	Woodson	J. H. Dial	R. R. Jones	Thursday on or before full moon
795	Myrtle	1	Chicago	Martin Allexan	Wm. J. McCord	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
758	Mystic Star	2	Chicago	Frank M. Bishop	Geo. M. Heath	First and third Thursdays of each month
187	Mystic Tie	11	Polo	H. B. Chase	Wm. T. Schell	First and third Thursdays of each month
346	N. D. Morse	31	Concord	V. I. Ball	James Gaddis	Monday on or before full moon
806	Nebo	32	Nebo	R. W. Pollock	R. C. Pollock	Thursday on or after full moon
279	Neoga	39	Neoga	George Webster	C. C. Ewing	Thursday on or before full moon
803	Neponset	15	Neponset	Chas. S. Russell	Chas. L. Higgins	First and third Thursdays of each month
59	New Boston	22	New Boston	H. O. Baner	C. F. Lytle	Saturday before full moon
772	New Burnside	49	New Burnside	Orlin A. Wise	R. W. Alsbrook	Saturday on or before full moon
821	New Canton	32	New Canton	J. R. Easley	S. A. Dutcher	Saturday on or before full moon of each month
336	New Columbia	49	Ganntown	John H. Gann	J. E. Carlton	Saturday on or before full moon
453	New Hartford	32	New Hartford	Grant Billings	M. Mays	Saturday on or before full moon
230	New Haven	47	New Haven	W. W. Wood	Wm. P. Tulev	First and third Wednesdays of each month
741	New Holland	25	New Holland	James Peters	Andrew T. Peters	Friday on or before full moon
620	New Hope	39	Livingston	Everett Black	W. D. Jennings	Saturday on or before full moon
369	Newman	38	Newman	J. L. Burgett	E. D. Morrow	Saturday on or before full moon
218	New Salem	32	New Salem	J. E. Martin	S. L. Griggs	Saturday on or before full moon
216	Newton	40	Newton	H. D. Yelvington	Geo. W. Westerman	Saturday on or before full moon
874	Nifong	35	Modesto	Jas. A. Fletcher	W A. Solomon	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
362	Noble	40	Noble	M. D. Price	Jno. Henry	Thursday on before full moon
456	Nokomis	36	Nokomis	J. L. Manning	H. C. Miller	Wednesday on or before full moon
673	Normal	26	Normal	John A. Goodwin	H G. McCormick	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
797	Normal Park	2	Chicago	Chas. W. Hibbard	Arthur N. Evans	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
937	North Shore	5	Chicago	Emil J. Merki	Jas. F. C. Coombs	Second and fourth Tuesday
631	Norton	19	Cabery	J. H. Ireland	M. H. Hand	First and third Thursdays of each month
169	Nunda	8	N. Crystal Lake	A. H. Hale	Frank Tomiskey	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
219	Oakland	38	Oakland	O. L. Minter	E. N. Carter	Friday on or before full moon
540	Oak Park	3	Oak Park	Buell B. Dutton	J. W. Grummett	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.
644	Oblong City	40	Oblong	D F. Heck	Wm. N. Dickey	Saturday on or before new and full moons
40	Occidental	16	Ottawa	Chas. E. Pettit	Chas. Beck	First and third Mondays of each month
392	Oconee	37	Oconee	L. C. Littlejohn	J. W. Heckethorn	Wednesday on before full moon
401	Odell	19	Odell	W. H. Blanchard	Wm. D. Imrie	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

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503	Odin	42	Odin	A. J. Farthing	H. V. Toaline	First and third Tuesdays of each month
576	O'Fallon	44	O'Fallon	P. S. Gallaway	W. A. Koenigstein	Tuesday on or before full moon
754	Ogden	28	Ogden	J. C. Freeman	H. V. Cardiff	Saturday on or before full moon
897	Ogden Park	7	Chicago	John A. Anderson	J. S. Blackney	Monday of each week
814	Ohio	15	Ohio	H. A. Jackson	A. C. Ruff	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
506	O. H. Miner	18	Iroquois	John Fry	R. F. Karr	First and third Saturdays of each month
38	Olive Branch	27	Danville	Jas. P. Sutton	G. H. Stephens	First and third Tuesdays of each month
140	Olney	40	Olney	John E. Glathart	M. O. Heap	Third Monday of each month
864	Olympia	2	Chicago	Chas. P. Manwaring	Jas H. Chaney	Tuesday of each week
723	Omaha	47	Omaha	B. A. Bagby	H. P. Blackard	Wednesday on or before full moon
305	Onarga	18	Onarga	James Kewley	G. F. Clarke	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
337	Oneida	21	Oneida	J. H. Anderson	H. J. Sawyer	First and third Fridays of each month
123	Oquawka	22	Oquawka	W. P. Martin	E. L. Werts	Wednesday on or before full moon
687	Orangeville	9	Orangeville	S. D. Confer	H. C. Snyder	First and third Thursdays of each month
420	Oregon	11	Oregon	F. W. Gantz	C. G. Peebles	First Wednesday of each month
759	Orel	42	Wayne City	J. Monroe Forth	H. H. Clark	First and third Wednesdays of each month
323	Orient	12	Lisbon	Wm. Quigley	C. C. Hoge	First and third Saturdays of each month
33	Oriental	1	Chicago	Charles Catlin	F. A. West	First and third Fridays of each month
358	Orlon	8	Union	Adolph Kremer	E. J. Modeen	First and third Wednesdays of each month
367	Oxford	22	New Windsor	Wm. H. Veeder	Irvin E. Veeder	Tuesday on or before full moon
66	Pacific	21	Knoxville	C. T. Liken	E. J. McCullum	First and third Thursdays of each month
765	Palace	3	Pullman	E. T. Adams	Frank Schroeder	Thursday of each week
314	Palatine	6	Palatine	C. DeWitt Taylor	Wm. C. Müller	First and third Saturdays of each month.
849	Palestine	40	Palestine	J. G. Nelson	C. P. Haskett	Saturday on or before full moon
463	Palmyra	35	Palmyra	M. McMahon	Fred L. Chiles	First and fourth Mondays of each month
226	Pana	37	Pana	Louis W. Paul	Harry Stanton	First and third Thursdays of each month
268	Paris	39	Paris	Edwin E. Lodge	R. G. Kirsten	First Thursday of each month
509	Parkersburg	40	Parkersburg	H. L. Parker	H. D. Talley	Saturday on or before full moon
843	Park	1	Chicago	Albert W. Craig	S. J. Thurber	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
899	Park Manor	1	Park Manor	David S. Mellinger	Albert E. Kenkead	Saturday of each week
613	Patoka	42	Patoka	J. I. Buss	Geo. A. Pope	First and third Mondays of each month
675	Pawnee	30	Pawnee	Fred W. Perry	Fred E. Kincaid	Saturday on or before full moon
416	Paxton	19	Paxton	E. A. Gardner	John T. Kyte	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
379	Payson	33	Payson	Zenas V. McNutt	Chas. F. Gabriel	*Tuesday on or before full moon
823	Pearl	9	Pearl City	H. F. Strathem	F. M Thurmon	First and third Wednesday.
940	Pearl	32	Pearl	M. K. Hooker	Wm. H. Goodrich	First and third Tuesdays of each month
29	Pekin	25	Pekin	F. W. Soady	Jacob A. Schwartz	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
15	Peoria	20	Peoria	W. J. Steube	John C. Murdoch	Last Monday of each month
636	Peotone	17	Peotone	J. J. McMahon	H. C. Reser	First and third Thursdays of each month
574	Pera	28	Ludlow	R. E. Prather	M. H. Shinker	First, third, and fifth Saturdays of each month.
95	Perry	32	Perry	J. B. Gregory	J. R. Sims	Saturday on or before full moon
436	Philo	28	Port Byron	A. G. Brewster	F. H. Schwegler	Wednesday on or before full moon

27	Piasa	43	Alton	L. Caywood	Arthur J. Satier	First Tuesday of each month
608	Piper	19	Piper City	Earl Stedman	Lester F. Sowers	First and third Thursdays of each month
790	Pittsfield	32	Pittsfield	John R. Coulter	Otis D. Lovell	Second Monday of each month
536	Plainfield	17	Plainfield	J. P. Browne	C. C. Whipple	First and third Tuesdays of each month
461	Plainview	35	Plainview	T. H. Taylor	L. Lenxay	Saturday on or before full moon
565	Pleasant Hill	32	Pleasant Hill	A. W. Stewart	L. E. Oakley	Saturday on or before full moon
700	Pleasant Plains	30	Pleasant Plains	P. E. Bain	A. E. Hurie	Wednesday on or before full moon
478	Pleiades	6	Chicago	George McKenzie	Frank E. Hodek	Thursday of each week
554	Plum River	10	Stockton	R. A. Oliver	Wm. Granville	Thursday on or before full moon
286	Plymouth	24	Plymouth	W. S. Remick	S. M. Talbot	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
137	Polk	47	McLeansboro	I. M. Asbury	O. J. Davis	First and third Thursdays of each month
294	Pontiac	19	Pontiac	Wm. W. Kenny	R. A. Young	First and third Thursdays of each month
782	Potomac	27	Potomac	A. Sperry	Joe C. Moss	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
77	Prairie	39	Paris	W. J. Griffin	R. N. Parrish	First Tuesday of each month
578	Prairie City	41	Montrose	W. L. Darner	John Hielyer	Saturday on or before full moon
755	Pre-emption	22	Pre-emption	H. H. Tomlinson	P. C. Freytag	Friday on or before full moon
587	Princeton	15	Princeton	Theo. P. Streeter	Thos. P. Gunning	First and third Tuesdays of each month
360	Princeville	20	Princeville	J. F. Carman	A. H. Sloan	Tuesday on or before full moon
954	Progressive	4	Chicago	Wm. Kate	E. Brooker	
293	Prophetstown	13	Prophetstown	John H. Fee	M. A. Stowell	First and third Saturdays of each month
957	Prospect	3	Chicago	Frank W. Young	A. C. Miskelly	
711	Providence	2	Chicago	P. L. Gerlicher	John Gromier	First and third Saturdays of each month
887	Pyramid	5	Hegewisch	L. Wm. Kroh	M. E. Bundy	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
296	Quincy	33	Quincy	Thos. J. Mackoy	C. H. Wood	First and third Fridays of each month
128	Raleigh	47	Raleigh	Will Gore	W. T. Glascock	Saturday on or before full moon
405	Ramsey	41	Ramsey	Alva B. Wright	J. P. Jeppeson	Tuesday on or before full moon
725	Rankin	27	Rankin	C. E. Groves	W. L Rankin	First and third Mondays of each month
470	Rantoul	28	Rantoul	F. M. Avey	Nathan J. Reed	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
727	Raritan	22	Raritan	F. I. Wells	J. E. Wells	First and third Tuesdays of each month
303	Raven	12	Oswego	Chas. Roberts	Chas. T. Cherry	First and third Saturdays of each month
777	Ravenswood	2	Chicago	Geo. N. Ackley	Howard E. Black	Second and fourth Mondays in each month
692	Raymond	36	Raymond	O. A Wiegreffe	Alva Jones	First and third Tuesdays of each month
427	Red Bud	44	Red Bud	Fred D. Guker, Sr.	George G. Guker	Saturday on or before full moon
914	Republic	1	Chicago	Ernest L. Kreamer	Oscar L. Haywood	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
419	Reynoldsburg	49	Tunnel Hill	T. H. Taylor	H. C. McCoy	Wednesday on or before full moon
948	R. F. Casey		Kell	Roy E. McNeilly	O. V. Cummins	First and third Thursdays
697	Richard Cole	1	Chicago	Bernard Remmer	Henry Feick	First, third, and fifth Thursdays of each month
143	Richmond	8	Richmond	J. T. Bower	Albert M. Gibbs	First and third Mondays of each month
632	Ridge Farm	27	Ridge Farm	H. G. Barker	C. M. Honold	First and third Saturdays of each month
816	Ridgway	47	Ridgway	L. M. King	M. M. Logan	Thursday on or before full moon
685	Rio	21	Rio	C. E. Frankenberger	Edward J. Tye	Wednesday on or before full moon
115	Rising Sun	8	Grays Lake	R. W. Churchill	Chas. J. Wright	First and third Saturdays of each month
862	Riverside	7	Riverside	Herbert M. Smith	R. C. Dyrenforth	First and third Thursdays of each month
786	Riverton Union	30	Riverton	H. H. Grubb	J. L. Parsons	Thursday on or before full moon
113	Robert Burns	22	Keithsburg	J. H. Madden	L. J. Temple	Friday on or before full moon
250	Robinson	40	Robinson	F. I. Mills	R. B. Lathrop	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
247	Rob Morris	20	Minonk	Jacob S. Gerdes	W S. Morrison	First and third Wednesdays of each month
635	Rochester	30	Rochester	John E. Coe	John D. Hunter	Wednesday on or before full moon
102	Rockford	9	Rockford	J. A. Schellenbarger	O. C. Scott	First and third Thursdays of each month
658	Rock Island	14	Rock Island	H. S. Bollman	R. F. Ralston	First Friday of each month
830	Rockport	32	Rockport	C. N. Haines	B. B. Horton	First and third Fridays of each month

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936	Rock Falls	13	Rock Falls	E. L. Bond	L. P. McMillen	Second and fourth Tuesdays
612	Rock River	13	Sterling	John W. Niles	Frank Cubitt	First and third Fridays of each month
74	Rockton	9	Rockton	B. B. Hill	A. V. Hill	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
721	Rome	45	Dix	W. H. Michael	J. R. Walker	First and third Tuesdays of each month
75	Roscoe	9	Roscoe	E. H. Wilson	Geo. M. Taft	Tuesday on or before full moon
519	Roseville	22	Roseville	R. B. Jordan	A. S. Holeman	First and third Fridays of each month
527	Rossville	27	Rossville	Thos. C. Stifler	J. S. Christman	First and third Saturdays of each month
807	Royal	45	Macedonia	W. N. Sullivan	C. D. Kern	Saturday on or before full moon
9	Rushville	24	Rushville	C. S. Loring	Thos. S. Hodgson	Tuesday on or before full moon
154	Russell	27	Georgetown	J. F. Haworth	A. A. Stansberry	First and third Tuesdays of each month
318	Russellville		Flat Rock	Burl Highsmith	D. C. Allison	Wednesday on or before full moon
477	Rutland	16	Rutland	C. L. Foucht	H. S. Baer	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
339	Saline	49	Goreville	Robt. Jenkins	A. G. Veach	Saturday on or before full moon
96	Sam'l H. Davis	11	Mt. Morris	J. G. Miller	D. F. Stevens	First and third Mondays of each month
932	Sandoval	42	Sandoval	Chas. F. Patterson	L. C. Keeley	First and third Wednesdays
801	Sangamon	28	Fisher	R. A. Sturgeon	Chas. F. Austin	First and third Mondays of each month
645	San Jose	31	San Jose	John Fryer	Wm. Hullenger	First and third Thursdays of each month
738	Saunemin	19	Saunemin	A. Cording	John S. Watts	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
335	Schiller	20	Peoria	John Denzler	M. Endres	First Friday of each month
79	Scott	43	Carlyle	Elmer Sadler	John Q. Roane	First Monday of each month
743	Scottland	39	Scottland	J. L. Dawson	J. Frank Jennings	First and third Saturdays of each month
426	Scottville	35	Scottville	James A. Walker	W. H. Vanbebber	Saturday on or before full moon
447	S. D Monroe	46	Birds	E A. Whiting	E. H. Mills	Friday on or before full moon of each month
532	Seneca	16	Seneca	Chas. H. R. Thomas	F. H. Whittaker	First and third Fridays of each month
918	Sesser	45	Sesser	E. E. Cockrum	R. D. Wible	Tuesday on or after full moon
827	Sequoit	8	Antioch	F. B. Huber	Geo. Wallis	First and third Wednesdays of each month
374	Shabbona	11	Shabbona	Wm. Husk	Geo. B. Foster	*Tuesday on or before full moon
490	Shannon	10	Shannon	John H. Prutzman	H. W. Miller	First and third Mondays of each month
550	Sharon	15	Tiskilwa	Aaron B. Blake	Geo. E. Welsh	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
20	Sheba	46	Grayville	M. L. Whitney	Jos. L. Schubert	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
241	Shekinah	48	Carbondale	H. C. Mertz	John Armstrong	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
609	Sheldon	18	Sheldon	G W. Burrill	W. A. Ward	First and third Tuesdays of each month
735	Sheridan	16	Sheridan	L. A. Beardsley	Robt. Knapp	Monday on or before full moon
535	Sherman	14	Orion	Edw. H. Tamme	F. S Fullerton	Wednesday on or before full moon
397	Shiloh	16	Troy Grove	Wm. O. Wilkins	Jno. O. Andrews	Thursday on or before full moon
695	Shiloh Hill	48	Campbell Hill	J. M. Hanna	H. Mohlenbrock	Saturday on or before full moon
212	Shipman	35	Shipman	Jno. E. Randle	W. G. Frank	Saturday on or before full moon
582	Shirley	26	Shirley	O. V. Douglass	B. F. Moberly	Saturday on or before full moon
761	Sibley	19	Sibley	Wm. H. Gray	E. E. Cameren	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
798	Sidell	27	Sidell	A. W. Oliver	W. G. Cathcart	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
347	Sidney	28	Sidney	D. G. Boone	C. L. Golden	Thursday on or before full moon

780	Siloam	4	Chicago	Edward H. Cass.	Frank Wheat	First and third Fridays of each month
898	Silvis	14	Silvis	A. C. Hansen	W. T. Adams	First and third Mondays of each month
805	S. M. Dalzell	15	Spring Valley	J. W. Collings	Thos Watkins	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
646	Somonauk	11	Somonauk	H. F. Hess	D. F. Stevens	First and third Mondays of each month
861	Sorento	36	Sorento	Jas. E. Long.	C. F. Gibson	Monday on or before full moon.
467	South Macon	29	Macon	Oliver N. Walker	W C Cullison	Tuesday on or before full moon
602	South Park	3	Chicago	J. C. Behrer	Chas H. VanAllen	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
441	Sparland	15	Sparland	L. N. Osbo ne	N. W. Macon	First and third Wednesdays of each month
4	Springfield	30	Springfield	Geo. C. Wilkinson	Jas. R. Orr	First Monday of each month
873	Standard	5	Chicago	John W. Johnson	David A. Smalley	First. third and fifth Saturdays of each month
863	St. Andrews	1	Chicago	Albert Davis	M. G. Middaught	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
709	Star	27	Hoopeston	Chas. H. Marshall	A. L. Spradling	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
166	Star in the East	9	Rockford	Wm. E. Jaycox	D. D. Madden.	First and third Fridays of each month
501	Stark	21	LaFayette	F. T. Gelvin	Jos. G. Reed	Saturday on or before full moon
177	Staunton	35	Staunton	Cornelius Godfrey	A. R. Bethel	*Tuesday on or before full moon
865	St. Cecelia	3	Chicago	Harry H. Milnor	Edgar Zimmerman.	First and third Tuesdays of each month
24	St. Clair	41	Belleville	Louis E. Wangelin	G. V. Engelman.	First Monday of each month
769	St. Elmo	41	St. Elmo	John R Morrison	I. V. Arnold	First Tuesday of each month
912	Stellar	46	St. Francesville	O. P. Estes	H. B. Fox	Second and fourth Mondays
541	Stewardson	37	Stewardson	A. C. Mantz	R. E. Voris	Wednesday on or before full moon
92	Stewart	14	Geneseo	B. Lacher	Lawrence Yelmgren	Second Friday of each month
13	St. Johns	16	Peru	H. N. Hackman	H. F. Linnig	First and third Thursdays of each month
63	St. Marks	8	Woodstock	Walter T. Wheeler	J. R. Kingsley	First and third Tuesdays of each month
953	Stone Arch	9	Cypress	E E Brown	J. W. Bishop	
495	Stone Fort	47	Stone Fort	James A. Deaton	S. J. Blackman	Saturday on or before full moon
500	St. Paul	30	Springfield	Jay T. French	Ernest C. White	Fourth Monday of each month
408	Stratton	39	Vermilion	A. O. Raines	T. S. Wright	Tuesday on or before full moon
607	Streator	16	Streator	Wm. C. Flick	Benj. Hall	First, third, and fifth Wednesdays of each month
847	Stronghurst	22	Stronghurst	Ben L. Mudel	Ralph Butler	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
349	Sublette	13	Sublette	Wm. A. Sieling	A. F. Jewell	Tuesday on or before full moon
764	Sullivan	38	Sullivan	Joe B. Michael	H. M. Butler	Wednesday on or before full moon
342	Summerfield	44	Summerfield	G. H. Poos	Chas. T. Lang	Wednesday on or before full moon
431	Summit	29	Harristown	J. J. Cross	C. B. Knight	Saturday on or before full moon
334	Sumner	46	Sumner	Frank S. Westall	Wm. Dunphy	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
428	Sunbeam	12	Plano	Geo. C. Blakely	Ernst Thurow	First and third Wednesdays of each month
134	Sycamore	11	Sycamore	O. P. Herrick	Sam'l W. Wrigley	Third Friday of each month
939	Table Grove	23	Table Grove	Charles Cox	Wm. T. Foster	Wednesday, on or before
794	Tadmor	50	Karber's Ridge	J. H. Shipp	Wm. J. McDanel	Wednesday on or before full moon
207	Tamaroa	45	Tamaroa	L. E. Johnston	A. L. Linn	Friday on or before full moon
351	Tarbolton	19	Fairbury	John H. McFadden	H. B. Bull	First and third Thursdays of each month
98	Taylor	25	Washington	W. H. Crow	C. P. Cress	Third Friday of each month
16	Temperance	41	Vandalia	Herbert E. Morey	R. W. Hickman	Third Monday of each month
46	Temple	20	Peoria	Albert L. Gregory	Geo. H. Weber	Last Wednesday of each month
701	Temple Hill	50	Temple Hill	A. Baker	E. S. Yates	Saturday on or after full moon
409	Thos. J. Turner	1	Chicago	Wm. Tinsley	Walter H. Work	First and third Thursdays of each month
559	Thomson	10	Thomson	Roy I. Houghton	A. P. Atherton	*First and third Tuesdays of each month
569	Time	32	Time	Walter S. Klein	C. E. Bagby	Saturday before full moon
307	T. J. Pickett	23	Bushnell	E. W. Crandall	Geo. D. Bell	First Friday of each month
834	Toledo	39	Toledo	J. W. Castelo	J. W. Grisson	First and third Mondays of each month

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391	Tolono	28	Tolono	E. L. Brya	John F. Carly	First and third Tuesdays of each month
364	Tonica	16	Tonica	Geo. A. McFerson	Benj. F. Hiltabrand.	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
93	Toulon	21	Toulon	Robt. Fell	Chas. S. McKee	Fourth Thursday in each month
542	Towanda	26	Towanda	H. E. Tilbury	W. A. Dotson	*Friday on or before full moon
493	Tower Hill	37	Tower Hill	J. L. Cannon	E. E. White	Tuesday on or before full moon
810	Tracy	5	Chicago	Harrison F. Shaner.	Fred E. Reynolds	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
462	Tremont	25	Tremont	Daniel Johnson	Frank A. Blue	Tuesday on or before full moon
109	Trenton	43	Trenton	Theo. Kallmeyer	Jas. L. Wilson	First and third Fridays of each month
767	Triluminar	4	Chicago	Edward T. Webster.	V. B. Clevenger	Friday of each week
562	Trinity	50	Mound City	E. P. Easterday	E. T. Snyder	Thurs. on or before full moon and 2 wks. later
57	Trio	14	Rock Island	Wm. B. Pettit	C. G. Taylor	First Thursday of each month
835	Triple	43	Venice	James Kerr	Wm. H. Schildmann	First and third Saturdays of each month
588	Troy	43	Troy	Fred Campbell	Jas. Rawson	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
630	Tuscan	47	Walpole	Lawrence Smith	E. O. Hale	Thursday on or before full moon
332	Tuscola	38	Tuscola	Frank McKee	J. V. Cambridge	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
333	Tyrian	30	Springfield	S. H. Claspill	Geo. F. Turney	Third Monday of each month
627	Union	49	Lick Creek	Robt. A. Roberts	A. E. Brooks	Saturday on or before full moon
610	Union Park	5	Chicago	Harry W. Peterson	John A. Lindell	Monday of each week
48	Unity	12	St. Charles	F. G. Miller	Jno. W. Chaffee	First and third Mondays of each month
157	Urbana	28	Urbana	Horace B. Ingalls	W. G. Spurgin	First and third Tuesdays of each month
858	Utica	16	Utica	N. J. Cary	S. J. Sindeu	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
894	Utopia	4	Chicago	Sam'l B. Gourley	Wm. E. Sumner	First, third and fifth Fridays of each month
547	Valley	14	Coal Valley	T. L. Bedford	H. T. Walters	Friday on or before full moon
762	VanMeter	30	Athens	E. L. Primm	Joe Johnson	Saturday on or before full moon
926	Veritas	2	West Chicago	John C. Higgins	Rolla Longenecker	First and third Tuesdays
265	Vermilion	27	Indianola	J. W. Baldwin	Nathan Hale	First and third Saturdays of each month
116	Vermont	23	Vermont	F. E. Bayless	J. P. Marshall	Saturday on or after full moon
757	Verona	17	Verona	W. A. Small	G. L. Beal	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
108	Versailles	32	Versailles	A. O. McCoy	E. S. Klinefelter	Saturday on or before full moon
584	Vesper	21	Galesburg	A. G. Stromgren	Fred T. DuVon	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
150	Vienna	49	Vienna	E. F. Throgmorton.	F. R. Woelfle	Tuesday on or before full moon
885	Villa Grove	38	Villa Grove	G. L. Kennedy	I. A. Sprinkle	First and third Tuesdays of each month
577	Viola	22	Viola	Wm. T. Bailey.	Albert A. Bailey	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
161	Virden	35	Virden	C. H. Post	F. J. Bradley	Wednesday on or before full moon
544	Virginia	31	Virginia	Elijah Needham	John C. Chittick	First and third Fridays of each month
81	Vitruvius	2	Wheeling	J. Schwingel	Geo. Schicht	Saturday on or before full moon
179	Wabash	38	Etna	A. G. Apperson	E. T. Allen	Friday on or before full moon
512	Wade-Barney	26	Bloomington	N. B Carson	C. L. Abrams	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
616	Wadley	31	Franklin	Chas. E. Darling	Wm. Fairlee	First and third Wednesdays of each month
674	Waldeck	5	Chicago	Wm. Dudenbostel	Geo. Wetzel	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
722	Walnut	15	Walnut	E. M. Fox	Howard Keigwin	First and third Wednesdays of each month
475	Walshville	36	Walshville	W. E. Cannon	A. F. Minor	*Thursday on or before full moon

384	Waltham	16	Waltham	Wm. N. Mitchell	E. R. Johnson	Monday on or before full moon
14	Warren	47	Shawneetown	J. W. Millspaugh	D. E. Froehlich	Tuesday on or before full moon
257	Warsaw	24	Warsaw	E. M. Allen	C. C. Crawford	Tuesday on or before full moon
421	Washburn	20	Washburn	Geo. H. Wineteer	J. M. Fuiks	Second and fourth Fridays of each month
55	Washington	45	Nashville	Myron D. Smith	B. B. Holston	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
U D	Washingt'n Park	6	Chicago	S. Freshman	Emanuel Weil	
291	Wataga	21	Wataga	J. W. Curry	F. C. Rodell	First and third Wednesdays of each month
728	Waterman	11	Waterman	Glenn W. Bradbury	W. T. Wiltberger	First and third Thursdays of each month
446	Watseka	18	Watseka	Thos. B. Brennan	Clarence South	First and third Wednesdays of each month
602	Watson	41	Watson	L. P. Mantz	J. C. Trimble	Saturday on or before full moon
160	Waubansia	4	Chicago	H. E. Van Loon	Thos. W. Wrixon, jr	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
298	Wauconda	8	Wauconda	R. C. Kent	W. V. Johns	First and third Thursdays of each month
78	Waukegan	8	Waukegan	E. J. Wilcox	I. E. Swain	First and third Mondays of each month
118	Waverly	31	Waverly	W. A. Jones	Chas. W. Lowe	First and third Fridays of each month
172	Wayne	29	Waynesville	I. J. Atchison	M Connoll	Saturday on or before full moon
916	Welcome	3	Chicago	James B. Child	Wm. F. Ulrich	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
746	Weldon	29	Weldon	W. J. Schwehm	Chas. C. Lisenby	Thursday on or before full moon
344	Wenona	15	Wenona	F. M. Moulton, Sr	Chas. H. Sherwood	First and third Tuesdays of each month
240	Western Star	28	Champaign	O. F. Miller	D. G. Swannell	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
856	West Gate	34	Hamburg	S. B. Waldron	Jas. R. Vaughan	First and third Tuesdays of each month
866	West Salem	46	West Salem	Stuart F. Walser	E. L. Clodfelter	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
269	Wheaton	12	Wheaton	Arthur Inman	J. W. Hagberg	First and third Tuesdays of each month
883	Wheeler	40	Wheeler	H. E. Miller	Phil Mason	Monday on or before full moon
80	White Hall	34	White Hall	Robt. S. Dickson	Alonzo Ellis	Thursday on or before full moon
802	Williamson	48	Carterville	Lockett Love	Geo. Tregoning	Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
931	Wilmette	4	Wilmette	Chas. C. Schultz	Wm. D. Matthews	First and third Fridays
208	Wilmington	17	Wilmington	A. S. Hadsall	Andrew Robson	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
105	Winchester	34	Winchester	Earl C. Nelson	Chas. A. Sibert	Monday on or before full moon
322	Windsor	37	Windsor	Geo. E. Dunscomb	R. W. Turner	Tuesday on or before full moon
836	Windsor Park	4	Chicago	David G. Stobo	P. J. C. Fieldse	Every Monday
745	Winnebago	9	Winnebago	C M. Cary	H. J. Waterstreet	First and third Thursdays of each month
564	Winslow	9	Winslow	G. H. Lloyd	A. M. Stites	Monday on or before full moon
209	Wm. B. Warren	6	Chicago	Geo. R. Lundy	Wm M. Greer	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month
306	W. C. Hobbs	20	Eureka	F. B. Jeanpert	Silas Jones	Tuesday on or before full moon
876	Wm. McKinley	7	Chicago	Walter P. Larson	M. C. Olson	First and third Tuesdays of each month
502	Woodhull	14	Woodhull	Amos A. Mackey	G. D. Drennan	Friday on or before full moon
841	Woodlawn Park	6	Chicago	Harland S. Sylvester	Jas. K. Lambert	Second and fourth Mondays of each month
779	Wright's Grove	3	Chicago	W. O. Dicus	W. M. Wilkinson	First and third Thursdays of each month
231	Wyanet	15	Wyanet	R. C. Montgomery	B. T Hudson	Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month
479	Wyoming	21	Wyoming	W. R. Sandham	W. J. Forster	Thursday on or before full moon
485	Xenia	42	Xenia	A. S. Jessup	Wm. W. Campbell	Thursday on or before full moon
448	Yates City	21	Yates City	W. E. West	Jas. A. McLaughlin	Second and fourth Thursdays of each month
313	York	39	West Union	Omer Shawler	Albert Matteson	Tuesday on or before full moon
655	Yorktown	13	Tampico	J. H. Cain	Jesse VanBibber	Second and fourth Saturdays of each month

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GIVING NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE LOCATED AT EACH.

POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Abingdon	Abingdon	185	Oct. 3, 1855
Albany	Albany	566	Oct. 1, 1867
Albion	Hermitage	356	Oct. 3, 1860
Aledo	Aledo	252	Oct. 7, 1857
Alexis	Alexandria	702	Oct. 8, 1873
Allendale	Allendale	752	Oct. 4, 1877
Allen Springs	Gurney	778	
Alta	Alta	748	Oct. 3, 1876
Altamont	Altamont	533	Oct. 1, 1867
Alton	Piasa	27	Oct. 9, 1844
Altona	Altona	330	Oct. 3, 1860
Alto Pass	Alto Pass	840	Oct. 2, 1895
Amboy	Illinois Central	178	Oct. 3, 1855
Andalusia	Andalusia	516	Oct 1, 1867
Anna	Anna	520	Oct. 1, 1867
Antioch	Sequoit	827	Oct. 4, 1893
Apple River	Apple River	859	Oct. 1, 1901
Arcola	Arcola	366	Oct. 1, 1861
Argenta	Argenta	871	Oct. 7, 1903
Arlington	Levi Lusk	270	Oct. 6, 1858
Arrowsmith	Arrowsmith	737	Oct. 3, 1876
Arthur	Arthur	825	Oct. 4, 1893
Ashland	Ashland	949	Oct. 10 1911
Ashley	Clay	153	Oct. 3, 1854
Ashmore	Ashmore	390	Oct. 5, 1863
Ashton	Ashton	531	Oct. 1, 1867
Assumption	Bromwell	451	Oct. 4, 1865
Astoria	Astoria	100	Oct. 6, 1851
Athens	Van Meter	762	Oct. 4, 1882
Atkinson	Annawan	433	Oct. 4, 1865
Atlanta	Atlanta	165	Oct. 3, 1854
Atwood	Atwood	651	Oct. 4, 1870
Auburn	Ark & Anchor	354	Oct. 3, 1860
Augusta	J. L. Anderson	318	Oct. 5, 1859
Aurora	Jerusalem Temp.	90	Oct. 8, 1850
Aurora	Aurora	254	Oct. 7, 1857
Austin	Austin	850	Oct. 6, 1897
Ava	Dean	833	Oct. 3, 1894
Avon	Avon Harmony	253	Oct. 7, 1857
Bardolph	Bardolph	572	Oct. 1, 1867
Barrington	Lounsbury	751	Oct. 4, 1877
Barry	Barry	34	Oct. 8, 1845
Basco	Basco	618	Oct. 5, 1869
Batavia	Batavia	404	Oct. 5, 1864
Beardstown	Cass	23	Oct. 4, 1843
Beecher City	Beecher City	665	Oct. 3, 1871
Bellflower	Bellflower	911	Oct 13, 1909
Belknap	Belknap	822	Oct. 5, 1892
Belle Rive	Belle Rive	696	Oct. 1, 1872
Belleville	St. Clair	24	Dec. 14, 1843
Belvidere	Belvidere	60	Oct. 4, 1848
Bement	Bement	365	Oct. 1, 1861
Benton	Benton	64	Oct. 5, 1848
Birds	S. D. Monroe	447	Oct. 4, 1865
Berwyn	Berwyn	839	Oct. 2, 1895
Bethalto	Bethalto	406	Oct. 5, 1864
Bethany	Bethany	884	Oct. 3, 1906
Blandinsville	Blandinsville	233	Oct. 7, 1857
Bloomington	Bloomington	43	Oct. 6, 1847
Bloomington	Wade-Barney	512	Oct. 3, 1866
Bloomington	Mozart	656	Oct. 4, 1870
Blue Island	Calumet	716	Oct. 7, 1874
Blue Mound	Blue Mound	682	Oct. 3 1871
Bluffs	Bluffs	846	Oct. 6, 1896
Bowen	Bowen	486	Oct. 3, 1866
Bradford	Bradford	514	Oct. 1, 1867
Braidwood	Braidwood	704	Oct. 8, 1873
Bridgeport	Bridgeport	386	Oct. 8, 1863
Brighton	Hibbard	249	Oct. 7, 1857
Broadlands	Broadlands	791	Oct. 3, 1889

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Brooklyn	LaMoine	935	Oct. 10, 1911
Brookport	Farmers	232	Oct. 7, 1857
Buckley	Buckley	634	Oct. 5, 1869
Buda	Buda	399	Oct. 5, 1864
Buffalo	Buffalo	945	Oct. 10, 1911
Buffalo Prairie	Buffalo Prairie	679	Oct. 3, 1871
BunkerHill	Bunker Hill	151	Oct. 3, 1854
Burnside	Burnside	683	Oct. 1, 1872
Burnt Prairie	Burnt Prairie	668	Oct. 3, 1871
Bushnell	T. J. Pickett	307	Oct. 5, 1859
Byron	Byron	274	Oct. 6, 1858
Cabery	Norton	631	Oct. 5, 1869
Cairo	Cairo	237	Oct. 7, 1857
Camargo	Camargo	440	Oct. 4, 1865
Cambridge	Cambridge	49	Oct. 5, 1847
Camden	Camden	648	Oct. 4, 1870
Camp Point	Benjamin	297	Oct. 5, 1859
Campbell Hill	Shiloh Hill	695	Oct. 1, 1872
Canton	Morning Star	734	Oct. 5, 1875
Capron	Capron	575	Oct. 6, 1868
Carbondale	Shekinah	241	Oct. 7, 1857
Carlinville	Mt. Nebo	76	Dec. 4, 1849
Carlyle	Scott	79	Dec, 10, 1849
Carman	Carman	732	Oct. 5, 1875
Carmi	Carmi	272	Oct. 6, 1858
Carrier Mills	Blazing Star	458	Oct. 4, 1865
Carrollton	Carrollton	50	Oct. 5, 1847
Carterville	Williamson	802	Oct. 6, 1891
Carthage	Hancock	20	Oct. 3, 1843
Casey	Casey	442	Oct. 4, 1865
Catlin	Catlin	285	Oct. 7, 1858
Cave-in-Rock	Cave-in-Rock	444	Oct. 4, 1865
Centralia	Centralia	201	Oct 7, 1856
Cerro Gordo	Cerro Gordo	600	Oct. 6, 1868
Chadwick	Chadwick	867	Oct. 8, 1902
Chambersburg	Chambersburg	373	Oct. 8, 1862
Champaign	Western Star	240	Oct. 7, 1857
Chandlerville	Chandlerville	724	Oct. 7, 1874
Channahon	Channahon	262	Oct. 6, 1858
Charleston	Charleston	35	Oct. 8, 1845
Chatham	Chatham	523	Oct. 1, 1867
Chatsworth	Chatsworth	539	Oct. 1, 1867
Chebanse	Chebanse	429	Oct. 4, 1865
Chenoa	Chenoa	292	Oct. 5, 1859
Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley	173	Oct. 3, 1855
Chester	Chester	72	Oct. 4, 1849
Chesterfield	Chesterfield	445	Oct. 4, 1865
Chicago	Aaron	913	Oct. 13, 1909
Chicago	Bohemia	943	Oct. 10, 1911
Chicago	Accordia	277	Oct. 6, 1858
Chicago	America	889	Oct. 3, 1906
Chicago	Ancient Craft	907	Oct. 7, 19 8
Chicago	Apollo	642	Oct. 4, 1870
Chicago	Arcana	717	Oct. 7, 1874
Chicago	Ashlar	308	Oct. 5, 1859
Chicago (Auburn Park)	Auburn Park	789	Oct. 3, 1889
Chicago	Avondale	921	Oct. 12, 1910
Chicago	Banner Blue	924	Oct. 12, 1910
Chicago	Bee Hive	909	Oct. 7, 1908
Chicago	Ben Hur	818	Oct. 5, 1892
Chicago	Blair	393	Oct. 8, 1863
Chicago	Blaney	271	Oct. 6, 1858
Chicago (Bright'n P'rk)	Brighton Park	854	Oct. 5, 1898
Chicago	Boulevard	882	Oct. 4, 1905
Chicago	Candida	927	Oct. 12, 1910
Chicago	Carnation	900	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Chicago	437	Oct. 4, 1865
Chicago	Cicero	955	Oct. 8, 1912
Chicago	Cleveland	211	Oct. 7, 1856
Chicago (Lawndale)	Columbian	819	Oct. 5, 1892
Chicago	Compass	922	Oct. 12, 1910
Chicago	Composite	879	Oct. 3, 1905
Chicago	Concord	917	Oct. 13, 1909
Chicago	Constantia	783	Oct. 6, 1887
Chicago	Constellation	892	Oct. 3, 1906
Chicago	Cornerstone	875	Oct. 4, 1904
Chicago	Crescent	895	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Covenant	526	Oct. 1, 1867
Chicago	Damascus	888	Oct. 3, 1906
Chicago	D. C. Cregier	643	Oct. 4, 1870
Chicago	Dearborn	310	Oct. 5, 1859

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED.
Chicago	East Gate	923	Oct. 12, 1910
Chicago	Edgewater	901	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago (Englewood)	Englewood	690	Oct. 1, 1872
Chicago	Equity	878	Oct. 3, 1905
Chicago (West Pullman)	Fides	842	Oct. 2, 1895
Chicago	Garden City	141	Oct. 2 1854
Chicago	Garfield	686	Oct. 1, 1872
Chicago	Gil. W. Barnard	908	Oct. 7, 1908
Chicago	Germania	182	Oct. 3, 1855
Chicago	Golden Rule	726	Oct. 7, 1874
Chicago (G'nd Crossing)	Grand Crossing	776	Oct. 7, 1886
Chicago (So. Chicago)	Harbor	731	Oct. 5, 1875
Chicago	Herder	669	Oct. 3, 1871
Chicago	Hesperia	411	Oct. 5, 1864
Chicago	Home	508	Oct. 3, 1866
Chicago	Humboldt Park	813	Oct. 5, 1892
Chicago Jackson Park	Jackson Park	915	Oct. 13, 1909
Chicago	John B. Sherman	880	Oct. 4, 1905
Chicago	John C. Smith	914	Oct. 10, 1911
Chicago	Justice	949	Oct. 10, 1911
Chicago (Kensington)	Kensington	804	Oct. 6, 1891
Chicago	Kenwood	800	Oct. 6, 1891
Chicago	Kenmore	947	Oct. 10, 1911
Chicago	Keystone	639	Oct. 5, 1869
Chicago	Kilwinning	311	Oct. 5, 1859
Chicago	King Oscar	855	Oct. 5, 1898
Chicago	Kosmos	896	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Lakeside	739	Oct. 3, 1876
Chicago	Lake View	774	Oct. 8, 1884
Chicago	Landmark	422	Oct. 5, 1864
Chicago (Chicago Lawn)	Lawn	815	Oct. 5, 1892
Chicago	Lessing	557	Oct. 1, 1867
Chicago	Lincoln Park	611	Oct. 5, 1869
Chicago	Logan Square	891	Oct. 3, 1906
Chicago	Metropolitan	860	Oct. 1, 1901
Chicago	Mithra	410	Oct. 5, 1864
Chicago	Mizpah	768	Oct. 8, 1884
Chicago (Irving Park)	Myrtle	795	Oct. 8, 1890
Chicago	Mystic Star	758	Oct, 3, 1878
Chicago (Englewood)	Normal Park	797	Oct. 8, 1890
Chicago (Norwood Park)	Beacon Light	784	Oct. 6, 1887
Chicago	North Shore	937	Oct. 13, 1911
Chicago	Ogden Park	897	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Olympia	864	Oct. 8, 1903
Chicago	Oriental	33	Oct. 9, 1845
Chicago (Pullman)	Palace	765	Oct. 3, 1883
Chicago (Rodgers Park)	Park	843	Oct. 6, 1896
Chicago	Park Manor	899	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Pleiades	478	Oct. 3, 1866
Chicago	Prospect	957	Oct. 8, 1912
Chicago	Progressive	954	Oct. 8, 1912
Chicago (Jefferson)	Providence	711	Oct 8, 1873
Chicago	Pyramid	887	Oct. 3, 1906
Chicago (Ravenswood)	Ravenswood	777	Oct. 7, 1888
Chicago	Republic	914	Oct. 13, 1909
Chicago	Richard Cole	697	Oct. 1, 1872
Chicago	Siloam	780	Oct. 6, 1887
Chicago	South Park	662	Oct. 3, 1871
Chicago	Standard	873	Oct. 4, 1904
Chicago	St. Andrews	863	Oct. 8, 1902
Chicago	St. Cecilia	865	Oct. 8, 1902
Chicago	Thos. J. Turner	409	Oct. 5, 1864
Chicago (Tracy)	Tracy	810	Oct 6, 1891
Chicago (So. Chicago)	Triluminar	767	Oct. 8, 1884
Chicago	Union Park	610	Oct. 5, 1869
Chicago	Utopia	894	Oct. 2, 1907
Chicago	Veritas	926	Oct. 12 1910
Chicago	Waldeck	674	Oct. 3, 1871
Chicago	Waubansia	160	Oct. 3, 1855

POSTOFFICE.	NAME.	NO.	CHARTERED
Chicago	Welcome	916	Oct. 13, 1909
Chicago	Wm. McKinley	876	Oct. 4, 1904
Chicago	Washi'gton Park	956	Oct. 18, 1912
Chicago (WindsorPark)	Windsor Park	836	Oct. 3, 1894
Chicago	Wm. B. Warren	209	Oct. 7, 1856
Chicago (Woodlawn Pk)	Woodlawn Park	841	Oct. 2, 1895
Chicago (Wright's Gro.)	Wright's Grove	779	Oct. 7, 1886
Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights	851	Oct. 6, 1897
Chillicothe	Geo. Washington	222	Oct. 7, 1856
Chrisman	Bloomfield	148	Oct 2, 1854
Clay City	Clay City	488	Oct, 3, 1866
Clayton	Clayton	147	Oct. 2, 1854
Clifton	Clifton	688	Oct. 1, 1872
Clinton	DeWitt	84	Oct. 8, 1850
Coal Valley	Valley	547	Oct. 1, 1867
Cobden	Cobden	466	Oct, 3, 1866
Coffeen	Coffeen	906	Oct. 7, 1908
Cohn	New Hope	620	Oct. 5, 1869
Colchester	Colchester	496	Oct. 3, 1866
Colfax	Colfax	799	May 14, 1891
Collinsville	Collinsville	712	Oct. 8, 1873
Collison	Collison	714	Oct. 7, 1874
Colono	Clement	680	Oct. 3, 1871
Columbia	Columbia	474	Oct. 3, 1856
Columbus	Columbus	227	Oct. 7, 1857
Compton	Brooklyn	282	Oct. 6, 1858
Concord	N. D. Morse	346	Oct. 3, 1860
Cordova	Cordova	543	Oct 1, 1867
Corinth	Andrew Jackson	487	Oct. 3, 1866
Cornell	Cornell	868	Oct. 7, 1903
Cornland	Cornland	808	Oct. 6, 1891
Cottonwood	Cottonwood	921	Oct. 12, 1910
Cowden	Joppa	706	Oct. 8, 1873
Creal Springs	Creal Springs	817	Oct. 5, 1892
Creston	Creston	320	Oct. 5, 1859
Crete	Crete	763	Oct. 4, 1882
Cuba	Cuba	534	Oct. 1, 1867
Cypress	Stone Arch	953	Oct. 8, 1912
Dallas City	Dallas City	235	Oct. 7, 1857
Danvers	Danvers	742	Oct. 3, 1876
Danville	Olive Branch	38	Oct. 6, 1846
Davis	Evening Star	414	Oct. 5, 1864
Dawson	Dawson	556	Oct. 1, 1857
Decatur	Macon	8	Oct. 5, 1841
Decatur	Ionic	312	Oct. 5, 1859
De Kalb	De Kalb	144	Oct. 2, 1854
De Land	De Land	812	Oct. 5, 1892
Delavan	Delavan	156	Oct. 2, 1854
Denver	Denver	464	Oct, 3, 1866
Depue	Depue	951	Oct. 8, 1912
De Soto	De Soto	287	Oct. 7, 1858
Des Plaines	Des Plaines	890	Oct. 3, 1906
De Witt	Amon	261	Oct. 6, 1858
Diona	Hutton	698	Oct. 1, 1872
Dix	Rome	721	Oct. 7, 1874
Dixon	Friendship	7	Oct. 6, 1841
Dongola	Dongola	581	Oct. 6, 1868
Donnelson	Donnelson	255	Oct. 6, 1858
Donovan	Donovan	952	Oct. 8, 1912
Downers Grove	Grove	824	Oct. 4, 1893
Dundee	Dundee	190	Oct. 6, 1856
Du Quoin	Du Quoin	234	Oct. 7, 1857
Durand	Durand	302	Oct. 5, 1859
Dwight	Livingston	371	Oct. 1, 1861
Earlville	Meridian	183	Oct. 3, 1855
East Dubuque	Martin	491	Oct. 3, 1866
East St. Louis	East St. Louis	504	Oct. 3, 1866
East St. Louis	Gothic	852	Oct. 6, 1897
Eaton	Crawford	666	Oct. 3, 1871
Elmhurst	Elmhurst	941	Oct. 10, 1911
Eddyville	Eddyville	672	Oct 3, 1871
Edgewood	Edgewood	484	Oct. 3 1866
Edinburg	Blueville	647	Oct. 4, 1870
Edwardsville	Edwardsville	99	Oct. 6, 1851
Effingham	Effingham	149	Oct. 2, 1854
Elburn	Blackberry	359	Oct. 3, 1860
El Dara	El Dara	388	Oct. 8, 1863
Eldorado	Eldorado	730	Oct. 5, 1875
Elgin	Elgin	117	Oct. 4, 1852
Elgin	Monitor	522	Oct. 1, 1867
Elkhart	Elkhart	903	Oct. 7, 1908

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POSTOFFICE.	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Elizabeth	Kavanaugh	36	Oct. 6, 1846
Elizabethtown	Elizabeth	276	Oct. 10, 1858
Elmwood	Horeb	363	Oct. 1, 1861
El Paso	El Paso	246	Oct. 7, 1857
Elvaston	Elvaston	715	Oct. 7, 1874
Elwood	Elwood	919	Oct. 12 1910
Enfield	Enfield	677	Oct. 3, 1871
Equality	Equality	2	Aug. , 1837
Erie	Erie	667	Oct. 3, 1871
Etna	Wabash	179	Oct. 2, 1855
Eureka	W. C. Hobbs	306	Oct. 5, 1859
Evanston	Evans	524	Oct. 1, 1867
Evansville	Kaskaskia	86	Oct. 8, 1850
Ewing	Ewing	705	Oct. 8, 1873
Exeter	Exeter	424	Oct. 4, 1865
Fairbury	Tarbolton	351	Oct. 3, 1860
Fairfield	Fairfield	206	Oct. 7, 1856
Fairmount	Fairmount	590	Oct. 6, 1868
Fairview	Fairview	350	Oct. 3, 1860
Fairweather	Kingston	266	Oct. 6, 1858
Farina	Farina	601	Oct. 6, 1868
Farmer City	Farmer City	710	Oct. 8, 1873
Farmington	Farmington	192	Oct. 6, 1856
Fieldon	Fieldon	592	Oct. 6, 1868
Fillmore	Fillmore	670	Oct. 3, 1871
Findlay	Findlay	831	Oct. 4, 1893
Fisher	Sangamon	801	Oct. 6, 1891
Flat Rock	Russellville	348	Oct. 3, 1860
Flora	Flora	204	Oct. 7, 1856
Forrest	Forrest	614	Oct. 5, 1869
Franklin	Wadley	616	Oct. 5, 1869
Franklin Grove	Franklin Grove	264	Oct. 6, 1858
Freeburg	Freeburg	418	Oct. 5, 1864
Freedom	Freedom	194	Oct. 6, 1856
Freeport	Excelsior	97	Oct. 6, 1851
Freeport	Evergreen	170	Oct. 3, 1855
Fulton	Fulton City	189	Oct. 6, 1856
Galena	Miners	273	Oct. 6, 1858
Galesburg	Alpha	155	Oct. 2, 1854
Galesburg	Vesper	584	Oct. 6, 1868
Gallatia	Gallatia	684	Oct. 1, 1872
Galva	Galva	243	Oct. 7, 1857
Ganntown	New Columbia	336	Oct. 3, 1860
Gays	Miles Hart	595	Oct. 6, 1868
Gardner	Gardner	573	Oct. 6, 1868
Geneseo	Stewart	92	Oct. 8, 1850
Geneva	Geneva	139	Oct. 2, 1854
Genoa	Genoa	288	Oct. 7, 1858
Georgetown	Russell	154	Oct. 2, 1854
Gibson City	Gibson	733	Oct. 5, 1875
Gillespie	Gillespie	214	Oct. 7, 1856
Gilman	Gilman	591	Oct. 6, 1868
Girard	Girard	171	Oct. 3, 1855
Glasford	Lancaster	106	Oct. 6, 1851
Glen Ellyn	Glen Ellyn	950	Oct. 8, 1912
Golconda	Golconda	131	Oct. 4, 1853
Golden	LaPrairie	267	Oct. 6 1858
Golden Gate	Molenna	925	Oct. 12, 1910
Good Hope	Good Hope	617	Oct. 5, 1869
Goreville	Saline	339	Oct. 3, 1860
Grafton	Full Moon	341	Oct. 3, 1860
Grand Chain	Grand Chain	660	Oct. 4, 1870
Grand Tower	Lafayette	657	Oct. 4, 1870
Granite City	Granite City	877	Oct. 4, 1904
Grant Park	Grant Park	928	Oct. 10, 1911
Gray's Lake	Rising Sun	115	Oct. 4, 1852
Grayville	Sheba	200	Oct. 7, 1856
Greenfield	Greenfield	129	Oct. 3, 1853
Greenup	Greenup	125	Oct. 3, 1853
Greenview	Greenview	653	Oct. 4, 1870
Greenville	Greenville	245	Oct. 7, 1857
Griggsville	Griggsville	45	Oct. 5, 1847
Grove City	Fisher	585	Oct. 6, 1868
Grantsburg	Gurney	778	Oct. 7, 1886
Hagewish	Pyramid	887	
Hamburg	West Gate	856	Oct. 4, 1899
Hamilton	Black Hawk	238	Oct. 7 1857
Hamletsburg	Bay City	771	Oct. 8, 1884
Hinsdale	Hinsdale	943	Oct. 10, 1911
Hampshire	Hampshire	443	Oct. 4, 1865
Hanover	Hanover	905	Oct. 7, 1908
Hardinsville	Hardinsville	756	Oct. 3, 1878
Hardin	Calhoun	792	Oct. 3, 1889
Harrisburg	Harrisburg	325	Oct. 5, 1859

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Harristown	Summit	431	Oct. 4, 1865
Harvard	Harvard	309	Oct. 5, 1859
Harvey	Harvey	832	Oct. 3, 1894
Hull	Hull	910	Oct. 7, 1908
Havana	Havana	88	Oct. 8, 1850
Hazel Dell	Hazel Dell	580	Oct. 6, 1868
Hebron	Hebron	604	Oct. 6, 1868
Henry	Henry	119	Oct. 4, 1852
Herrin's Prairie	Herrin	693	Oct. 1, 1872
Heyworth	Heyworth	251	Oct. 7, 1857
Highland	Highland	583	Oct. 6, 1868
Highland Park	A. O. Fay	676	Oct. 3, 1871
Hillsboro	Mt. Moriah	51	Oct. 4, 1818
Hinckley	Hinckley	301	Oct. 5, 1859
Hindsboro	Hindsboro	837	Oct. 4, 1894
Holcomb	Meridian Sun	505	Oct. 3, 1866
Homer	Homer	199	Oct. 7, 1856
Hoopeston	Star	709	Oct. 8, 1873
Hooppole	Hooppole	886	Oct. 3, 1906
Hopedale	Hopedale	622	Oct. 5, 1869
Hume	Edgar	829	Oct. 4, 1893
Huntsville	Huntsville	465	Oct. 3, 1866
Hutsonville	Hutsonville	136	Oct. 5 1853
Illiopolis	Illiopolis	521	Oct. 1, 1867
Indianola	Vermilion	265	Oct. 6, 1858
Industry	Industry	327	Oct. 5, 1859
Iola	Iola	691	Oct. 1, 1872
Ipava	Ipava	213	Oct. 7, 1856
Iroquois	O. H. Miner	506	Oct. 3, 1866
Irving	Irving	455	Oct. 4, 1865
Iuka	J. D. Moody	510	Oct. 3, 1866
Jacksonville	Harmony	3	1838
Jacksonville	Jacksonville	570	Oct. 1, 1867
Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville	460	Oct. 3, 1866
Jerseyville	Jerseyville	394	Oct. 5, 1864
Johnsonville	Johnsonville	713	Oct. 7, 1874
Johnston City	Lake Creek	729	Oct. 5, 1875
Joliet	Mt. Joliet	42	Oct. 8, 1846
Joliet	Matteson	175	Oct. 3, 1855
Jonesboro	Jonesboro	111	Oct 7, 1851
Joy	Joy	946	Oct. 10, 1911
Kane	King Solomon's	197	Oct. 7, 1856
Kankakee	Kankakee	389	Oct. 8, 1863
Kansas	Kansas	280	Oct. 6, 1858
Karber's Ridge	Tadmor	794	Oct. 8, 1890
Kell	R. F. Casey	948	Oct. 10, 1911
Kenney	Henderson	820	Oct. 5, 1882
Kewanee	Kewanee	159	Oct. 3, 1855
Keithsburg	Robert Burns	113	Oct. 7, 1851
Kinderhook	Kinderhook	353	Oct. 3, 1860
Kingston	Kishwaukee	402	Oct. 5, 1864
Kinmundy	Kinmundy	398	Oct. 5, 1864
Kirkland	Boyd D.	857	Oct. 2, 1900
Kirkwood	Abraham Lincoln	518	Oct. 1, 1867
Knoxville	Pacific	66	Mar. 25, 1896
Lacon	Lacon	61	Oct. 4, 1848
LaFayette	Stark	501	Oct. 3, 1866
LaGrange	La Grange	770	Oct. 8, 1884
LaHarpe	La Harpe	195	Oct. 6, 1856
La Moille	La Moille	383	Oct. 8, 1863
Lanark	Lanark	423	Oct. 5, 1864
LaSalle	Acacia	67	Dec. 10, 1849
Latham	Latham	853	Oct. 6, 1897
Lawrenceville	Edward Dobbins	164	Oct. 3, 1855
Lebanon	Lebanon	110	Oct. 6, 1851
Lee Center	Lee Center	146	Oct. 2, 1854
Leland	Leland	558	Oct. 1, 1867
Lena	Lena	174	Oct. 3, 1855
Lerna	Lerna	788	Oct. 3, 1889
Le Roy	Le Roy	221	Oct. 7, 1856
Lewistown	Lewistown	104	Oct. 6, 1851
Lexington	Lexington	482	Oct. 3, 1866
Liberty	Liberty	380	Oct. 8, 1863
Libertyville	Libertyville	492	Oct. 3, 1866
Lick Creek	Union	627	Oct. 5, 1869
Lima	Lima	135	Oct. 4, 1853
Lincoln	Logan	210	Oct. 7, 1856
Lisbon	Orient	323	Oct. 5, 1859
Litchfield	Charter Oak	236	Oct. 7, 1857
Litchfield	Litchfield	517	Oct. 1, 1867
Littleton	Littleton	766	Oct. 3, 1883
Loami	Loami	450	Oct. 4, 1865
Lockport	Lockport	538	Oct. 1, 1867
Manlius	Manlius	932	Oct. 10, 1911

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POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Maple Park	Maple Park	94?	Oct. 10, 1911
Loda	Abraham Jonas	316	Oct. 5, 1859
London Mills	London	848	Oct. 5, 1897
Long Point	Long Point	552	Oct. 1, 1867
Loraine	Loraine	893	Oct 2, 1907
Lostant	Lostant	870	Oct. 7, 1903
Louisville	Louisville	196	Oct. 6, 1856
Lovington	Lovington	228	Oct. 7, 1857
Ludlow	Pera	574	Oct. 6, 1868
Lyndon	Lyndon	750	Oct. 4, 1877
Lynnville	Gill	382	Oct. 8, 1863
McHenry	McHenry	158	Oct. 3 1854
McLean	McLean	469	Oct. 3, 1866
McLeansboro	Polk	137	Oct. 5, 1853
Macedonia	Royal	807	Oct. 6, 1891
Mackinaw	Mackinaw	132	Oct. 4, 1853
Macomb	Macomb	17	Oct. 2, 1843
Macon	South Macon	467	Oct. 3, 1866
Magnolia	Magnolia	103	Oct. 6, 1851
Mahomet	Mahomet	220	Oct. 7, 1856
Makanda	Makanda	434	Oct. 4, 1865
Manchester	Manchester	229	Oct. 7, 1857
Manito	Manito	476	Oct. 3, 1866
Mansfield	Mansfield	773	Oct. 8, 1884
Maquon	Maquon	530	Oct. 1, 1867
Marcelline	Marcelline	114	Oct. 7, 1851
Marengo	Marengo	138	Oct. 5, 1853
Marine	Marine	355	Oct. 3, 1860
Marion	Fellowship	89	Oct 8, 1850
Marissa	Marissa	881	Oct. 4, 1905
Maroa	Maroa	454	Oct. 4, 1865
Marseilles	Marseilles	417	Oct. 5, 1864
Marshall	Marshall	133	Oct 4, 1853
Martinsville	Clark	603	Oct. 6, 1868
Martinton	Martinton	845	Oct. 6, 1895
Mascoutah	Douglas	361	Oct. 1, 1861
Mason	Mason	217	Oct. 7, 1856
Mason City	Mason City	403	Oct. 5, 1861
Mattoon	Mattoon	260	Oct. 6 1858
Maywood	Maywood	869	Oct. 7, 1903
Mazon	Mazon	826	Oct. 4, 1893
Mechanicsburg	Carlock	904	Oct. 7, 1908
Medora	Fidelity	152	Oct. 3, 1854
Melvin	Melvin	811	Oct. 6, 1891
Mendon	Mendon	449	Oct. 4, 1865
Mendota	Mendota	176	Oct. 3, 1855
Meredosia	Benevolent	52	Oct. 3, 1848
Metropolis City	Metropolis	91	Oct. 8, 1850
Milan	Eureka	69	Oct. 4 1849
Milford	Milford	168	Oct. 3, 1855
Millburn	Antioch	127	Oct. 3, 1853
Milledgeville	Milledgeville	345	Oct. 3, 1860
Milton	Milton	275	Oct. 6, 1858
Minier	Comet	641	Oct. 4, 1870
Minonk	Rob Morris	247	Oct. 7, 1857
Minooka	Minooka	528	Oct. 1, 1867
Modesto	Nilong	874	Oct. 4, 1904
Moline	Doric	319	Oct. 5, 1859
Momence	Momence	481	Oct. 3, 1866
Monmouth	Monmouth	37	Oct. 6, 1846
Monticello	Fraternal	58	Oct. 4, 1848
Montrose	Prairie City	578	Oct. 6, 1868
Morris	Cedar	124	Oct. 3, 1853
Morrison	Dunlap	321	Oct. 5, 1859
Morrisonville	Morrisonville	681	Oct. 3, 1871
Morton	Groveland	352	Oct. 3, 1860
Mound City	Trinity	562	Oct. 1, 1867
Mount Auburn	Kedron	340	Oct. 2, 1860
Mt Carmel	Mt. Carmel	239	Oct. 7, 1857
Mt. Carroll	Cyrus	188	Oct. 6, 1856
Mt. Erie	Mt. Erie	331	Oct. 3, 1860
Mt. Morris	Samuel H. Davis	96	Oct. 6, 1851
Mt. Pulaski	Mt. Pulaski	87	Oct. 8, 1850
Mount Sterling	Hardin	44	Oct. 5, 1847
Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon	31	Oct. 9. 1845
Moweaqua	Moweaqua	180	Oct. 3, 1855
Murphysboro	Murphysboro	498	Oct. 3, 1866
Murrayville	Murrayville	432	Oct. 4, 1865
Naperville	Euclid	65	Oct. 2, 1849
Nashville	Washington	55	Oct. 4, 1848
Nebo	Nebo	806	Oct. 6, 1891
Neoga	Neoga	279	Oct. 6, 1858
Neponset	Neponset	803	Oct. 6, 1891
New Boston	New Boston	59	Oct. 4, 1848

POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
New Burnside	New Burnside	772	Oct. 8, 1884
Oak Park	Circle	938	Oct. 10, 1911
New Canton	New Canton	821	Oct. 5, 1892
New Douglas	Madison	560	Oct. 1, 1867
New Grand Chain	Grand Chain	660	Oct. 4, 1870
New Hartford	New Hartford	453	Oct. 4, 1865
New Haven	New Haven	230	Oct. 8, 1857
New Holland	New Holland	741	Oct. 3, 1876
Newman	Newman	369	Oct. 2, 1861
New Salem	New Salem	218	Oct. 7, 1856
Newton	Newton	216	Oct. 7, 1856
New Windsor	Oxford	367	Oct. 1, 1861
Noble	Noble	362	Oct 2, 1861
Nokomis	Nokomis	456	Oct. 4, 1865
Normal	Normal	673	Oct. 3, 1871
Norris City	May	718	Oct. 7, 1874
Norwood Park	Beacon Light	784	Oct. 6, 1887
Nunda	Nunda	169	Oct. 4, 1855
Oakland	Oakland	219	Oct 7, 1856
Oakwood	Free Will	872	Oct. 4, 1904
Oak Park	Oak Park	540	Oct. 1, 1867
Oblong	Oblong City	644	Oct. 4, 1870
Oconee	Oconee	392	Oct. 8, 1863
Odell	Odell	401	Oct. 5, 1864
Odin	Odin	503	Oct. 3, 1866
O'Fallon	O'Fallon	576	Oct. 6, 1868
Ogden	Ogden	754	Oct. 4, 1877
Ohio	Ohio	814	Oct. 5, 1892
Olmsted	Caledonia	47	Oct. 5, 1847
Olney	Olney	140	Oct. 2, 1854
Omaha	Omaha	723	Oct. 7, 1874
Onarga	Onarga	305	Oct. 5, 1859
Oneida	Oneida	337	Oct. 3, 1860
Opdyke	Jefferson	368	Oct. 1, 1861
Oquawka	Oquawka	123	Oct. 3, 1853
Orangeville	Orangeville	687	Oct. 1, 1872
Oregon	Oregon	420	Oct. 5, 1864
Orion	Sherman	535	Oct. 1, 1867
Oswego	Raven	303	Oct. 5, 1859
Ottawa	Occidental	40	Oct. 7, 1846
Ottawa	Humboldt	555	Oct. 1, 1867
Owaneco	Locust	623	Oct. 5, 1869
Palatine	Palatine	314	Oct. 5, 1859
Palestine	Palestine	849	Oct. 6, 1897
Palmyra	Palmy a	463	Oct. 3, 1866
Pana	Pana	226	Oct. 7, 1856
Paris	Prairie	77	Oct. 4, 1849
Paris	Paris	268	Oct. 6, 1858
Parkersburg	Parkersburg	509	Oct. 3, 1866
Patoka	Patoka	613	Oct. 5, 1869
Pawnee	Pawnee	675	Oct. 3, 1871
Paw Paw	Corinthian	205	Oct. 7, 1856
Paxton	Paxton	416	Oct. 5, 1864
Payson	Payson	379	Oct. 8, 1863
Pearl	Pearl	940	Oct. 10, 1911
Pearl City	Pearl	823	Oct. 4, 1893
Pecatonica	A. W. Rawson	145	Oct. 2 1854
Pekin	Pekin	29	May 26, 1845
Pekin	Empire	126	Oct. 3, 1853
Peoria	Peoria	15	Oct. 4, 1849
Peoria	Temple	46	Oct. 5, 1847
Peoria	Illinois	263	Oct. 6, 1858
Peoria	Schiller	335	Oct. 3, 1861
Peoria	Joseph Robbins	930	Oct. 10, 1911
Peotone	Peotone	636	Oct. 5, 1869
Perry	Perry	95	Oct. 10, 1850
Peru	St. Johns	13	Oct. 4, 1849
Petersburg	Clinton	19	Oct. 3, 1843
Philo	Centennial	747	Oct. 3, 1876
Pilot	Newtown	714	Oct. 7, 1874
Pinckneyville	Mitchell	85	Oct. 8, 1850
Pittsfield	Pittsfield	790	Oct. 3, 1889
Piper City	Piper	608	Oct. 6, 1868
Plainfield	Plainfield	536	Oct. 1, 1867
Plainview	Plainview	461	Oct. 3, 1866
Plainville	Adams	529	Oct 1, 1867
Plano	Sunbeam	428	Oct. 4, 1865
Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill	565	Oct. 1, 1867
Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains	700	Oct. 8, 1873
Plymouth	Plymouth	286	Oct. 7, 1858
Pocahontas	Gordon	473	Oct. 3, 1866
Polo	Mystic Tie	187	Oct. 6, 1856
Pontiac	Pontiac	294	Oct. 5, 1859
Pontoosuc	Herrick	193	Oct. 6, 1856

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POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Port Byron	Philo	436	Oct. 4, 1865
Potomac	Potomac	782	Oct. 6, 1887
Prairie City	Golden Gate	248	Oct. 7, 1857
Pre-emption	Pre-emption	755	Oct. 4, 1877
Princeton	Bureau	112	Oct. 7, 1851
Princeton	Princeton	587	Oct. 6, 1868
Princeville	Princeville	360	Oct. 1, 1861
Prophetstown	Prophetstown	293	Oct. 5, 1859
Quincy	Bodley	1	Aug. 30, 1836
Quincy	Herman	39	Oct. 6, 1846
Quincy	Quincy	296	Oct. 5, 1859
Quincy	Lambert	659	Oct. 4, 1870
Raleigh	Raleigh	128	Oct. 3, 1853
Ramsey	Ramsey	405	Oct. 5, 1864
Rankin	Rankin	725	Oct. 7, 1874
Rantoul	Rantoul	470	Oct. 3, 1866
Raritan	Raritan	727	Oct. 5, 1875
Raymond	Raymond	692	Oct. 1, 1872
Red Bud	Red Bud	427	Oct. 4, 1865
Richmond	Richmond	143	Oct. 2, 1854
Ridge Farm	Ridge Farm	632	Oct. 5, 1869
Ridgway	Ridgway	816	Oct. 5, 1892
Rio	Rio	685	Oct. 1, 1872
Riverside	Riverside	862	Oct. 8, 1902
Riverton	Riverton Union	786	Oct. 3, 1888
Robinson	Robinson	250	Oct. 7, 1857
Rochelle	Horicon	244	Oct. 7, 1857
Rochester	Rochester	635	Oct. 5, 1869
Rock Falls	Rock Falls	946	Oct. 10, 1911
Rockford	Rockford	102	Oct. 6, 1851
Rockford	Star in the East	166	Oct. 3, 1855
Rockford	E. F. W. Ellis	633	Oct. 5, 1869
Rock Island	Trio	57	Oct. 3, 1848
Rock Island	Rock Island	658	Oct. 4, 1870
Rockport	Rockport	830	Oct. 4, 1893
Rockton	Rockton	74	Oct. 4, 1849
Roodhouse	E. M. Husted	796	Oct. 8, 1890
Roscoe	Roscoe	75	Oct. 4, 1849
Roseville	Roseville	519	Oct. 1, 1867
Rossville	Rossville	527	Oct. 1, 1867
Rushville	Rushville	9	Oct. 3, 1842
Rutland	Rutland	477	Oct. 3, 1866
Sadorus	J. R. Gorin	537	Oct. 1, 1867
Saint Charles	Unity	48	Oct. 5, 1847
Saint Elmo	Saint Elmo	769	Oct. 8, 1884
Salem	Marion	130	Oct. 4, 1853
Sandoval	Sandoval	934	Oct. 10, 1911
Sandwich	Meteor	283	Oct. 6, 1858
San Jose	San Jose	645	Oct. 4, 1870
Saunemin	Saunemin	738	Oct. 3, 1876
Savanna	Mississippi	385	Oct. 8, 1863
Saybrook	Cheney's Grove	468	Oct. 3, 1866
Scott Land	Scott Land	743	Oct. 3, 1876
Scottville	Scottville	426	Oct. 4, 1865
Seaton	Charity	838	Oct. 2, 1895
Seneca	Seneca	532	Oct. 1, 1867
Sesser	Sesser	918	Oct. 12, 1910
Shabbona	Shabbona	374	Oct. 8, 1862
Shannon	Shannon	490	Oct. 3, 1866
Shawneetown	Warren	14	Oct. 5, 1842
Sheffield	Ames	142	Oct. 2, 1854
Shelbyville	Jackson	53	Oct. 4, 1848
Sheldon	Sheldon	609	Oct. 5, 1869
Sheridan	Sheridan	735	Oct. 5, 1875
Shipman	Shipman	212	Oct. 7, 1856
Shirley	Shirley	582	Oct. 6, 1868
Sibley	Sibley	761	Oct. 6, 1881
Sidell	Sidell	798	Oct. 8, 1890
Sidney	Sidney	347	Oct. 3, 1860
Silvis	Silvis	898	Oct. 2, 1907
Somonauk	Somonauk	646	Oct. 4, 1870
Sorento	Sorento	861	Oct. 1, 1901
Sparland	Sparland	441	Oct. 4, 1865
Sparta	Hope	162	Oct. 3, 1855
Speer	Lawn Ridge	415	Oct. 5, 1864
Springfield	Springfield	4	Oct. 28, 1839
Springfield	Central	71	Oct. 4, 1849
Springfield	Tyrian	333	Oct. 2, 1860
Springfield	St. Paul's	500	Oct. 3, 1866
Spring Hill	Bollen	412	Oct. 5, 1864
Spring Valley	S. M. Dalzell	805	Oct. 6, 1891
Staunton	Staunton	177	Oct. 2, 1855
Steeleville	Alma	497	Oct. 3, 1866
Sterling	Rock River	612	Oct. 5, 1869

POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED.
Stewart	Alto	902	Oct. 7, 1908
Stewardson	Stewardson	541	Oct. 1, 1867
St. Francisville	Steller	912	Oct. 13, 1909
Stockton	Plum River	554	Oct. 1, 1867
Stone Fort	Stone Fort	495	Oct. 3, 1866
Streator	Streator	607	Oct. 6, 1868
Stronghurst	Stronghurst	847	Oct. 6, 1896
Sublette	Sublette	349	Oct. 3, 1860
Sullivan	Sullivan	764	Oct. 3 1883
Summerfield	Summerfield	342	Oct. 3, 1860
Sumner	Sumner	334	Oct. 3, 1860
Sycamore	Sycamore	134	Oct. 4, 1853
Table Grove	Table Grove	939	Oct. 10, 1911
Tamaroa	Tamaroa	207	Oct. 7, 1856
Tampico	Yorktown	655	Oct. 4, 1870
Taylorville	Mound	122	Oct. 5, 1852
Temple Hill	Temple Hill	701	Oct. 8, 1873
Thompsonville	Akin	749	Oct. 4, 1877
Thomson	Thomson	559	Oct 1, 1867
Time	Time	569	Oct. 1, 1867
Timewell	Kendrick	430	Oct. 4, 1865
Tiskilwa	Sharon	550	Oct. 1. 1867
Toledo	Toledo	834	Oct. 3, 1894
Tolona	Tolono	391	Oct. 8, 1883
Tonica	Tonica	364	Oct. 1, 1861
Toulon	Toulon	93	Oct. 8, 1850
Towanda	Towanda	542	Oct. 1. 1867
Tower Hill	Tower Hill	493	Oct. 3, 1866
Tremont	Tremont	462	Oct. 3, 1866
Trenton	Trenton	109	Oct. 6, 1851
Trilla	Muddy Point	396	Oct. 5, 1864
Troy	Troy	588	Oct. 6, 1868
Troy Grove	Shiloh	397	Oct. 5, 1864
Tunnell Hill	Reynoldsburg	419	Oct. 5, 1864
Tuscola	Tuscola	332	Oct. 2, 1860
Union	Orion	358	Oct. 1, 1861
Upper Alton	Franklin	25	1837
Urbana	Urbana	157	Oct. 2, 1854
Utica	Utica	858	Oct. 2, 1903
Valier	Goode	744	Oct. 3, 1876
Vandalia	Temperance	16	Dec. 10, 1842
Venice	Triple	835	Oct. 3, 1894
Vermilion	Stratton	408	Oct. 5, 1864
Vermont	Vermont	116	Oct. 4, 1852
Verona	Verona	757	Oct. 3, 1878
Versailles	Versailles	108	Oct. 6, 1851
Victoria	A. T. Darrah	793	Oct. 8, 1890
Vienna	Vienna	150	Oct. 2, 1854
Villa Grove	Villa Grove	885	Oct. 3, 1906
Viola	Viola	577	Oct. 6, 1868
Virden	Virden	161	Oct. 3, 1855
Virginia	Virginia	544	Oct. 1, 1867
Waldron	Aroma	378	Oct. 8, 1863
Walnut	Walnut	722	Oct. 7, 1874
Walpole	Tuscan	630	Oct. 5, 1869
Walshville	Walshville	475	Oct. 3, 1866
Waltham	Waltham	384	Oct 8, 1863
Warren	Jo Daviess	278	Oct. 6, 1858
Warsaw	Warsaw	257	Oct. 6, 1858
Washburn	Washburn	421	Oct. 5, 1864
Washington	Taylor	98	Oct. 6, 1851
Wataga	Wataga	291	Oct. 5, 1859
Waterman	Waterman	728	Oct. 5, 1875
Waterloo	Morris	787	Oct. 3, 1889
Watseka	Watseka	446	Oct. 4, 1865
Watson	Watson	602	Oct. 6, 1868
Wauconda	Wauconda	298	Oct. 5, 1859
Waukegan	Waukegan	78	Oct. 4, 1849
Waverly	Waverly	118	Oct. 4, 1852
Wayne City	Orel	759	Oct. 9, 1879
Waynesville	Wayne	172	Oct. 3, 1855
Weldon	Weldon	746	Oct. 3, 1876
Wenona	Wenona	344	Oct. 3, 1860
West Chicago	Amity	472	Oct. 3, 1866
West Frankfort	Frankfort	567	Oct. 1, 1867
West Point	Dills	295	Oct. 5, 1859
West Salem	West Salem	866	Oct. 8, 1902
Wheaton	Wheaton	269	Oct. 6, 1858
Wheeler	Wheeler	883	Oct. 3, 1906
Wheeling	Vitruvius	81	Oct. 10, 1850
White Hall	White Hall	80	Oct. 8, 1850
Williamsville	Lavely	203	Oct. 7, 1856

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POSTOFFICE	NAME	NO.	CHARTERED
Willmette	Willmette	931	Oct. 10, 1911
Willow Hill	Cooper	489	Oct. 3, 1866
Wilmington	Wilmington	208	Oct. 7, 1856
Winchester	Winchester	105	Oct. 6, 1851
Windsor	Windsor	322	Oct. 5, 1859
Winnebago	Winnebago	745	Oct. 3, 1876
Winslow	Winslow	564	Oct. 1, 1867
Winterrowd	Mayo	664	Oct. 3, 1871
Woburn	Gilham	809	Oct. 6, 1891
Wolf Creek	Chapel Hill	719	Oct. 7, 1874
Woodhull	Woodhull	502	Oct. 3, 1866
Woodstock	Saint Marks	263	Oct. 4, 1848
Wyanet	Wyanet	231	Oct. 7, 1857
Wyoming	Wyoming	479	Oct. 3, 1866
Xenia	Xenia	485	Oct. 3, 1866
Yates City	Yates City	448	Oct. 4, 1865
York	York	313	Oct. 5, 1859
Yorkville	Kendall	471	Oct. 3, 1866

LIST OF LODGES BY DISTRICTS

FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
33	Oriental	Chicago	29 Monroe St.
271	Blaney	Chicago	Bush Temple
409	T. J. Turner	Chicago	Masonic Temple
524	Evans	Evanston	810 Davis St.
642	Apollo	Chicago	3120 Forest Ave.
697	Richard Cole	Chicago	2741 Archer Ave.
751	Lounsbury	Barrington	Barrington
776	Grand Crossing	Chicago	7439 Ingleside Ave.
795	Myrtle	Chicago	4240 Irving Park Blvd.
818	Ben Hur	Chicago	2403 North Ave.
843	Park	Chicago	N. Clark St. and Lunt Ave.
863	St. Andrews	Chicago	Masonic Temple
878	Equity	Chicago	Masonic Temple
890	Desplaines	Desplaines	Desplaines
899	Park Manor	Chicago	69th and Wentworth Ave.
914	Republic	Chicago	Washington Ave. and 55th.
924	Banner Blue	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
944	John Corson Smith	Chicago	W. Chicago Masonic Temple

Wm. Wilhartz, D.D.G.M., 105 W. Monroe St., Chicago.

SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
81	Vitruvius	Wheeling	Wheeling
277	Accordia	Chicago	Halsted St. and North Ave.
410	Mithra	Chicago	North Ave. and Halsted St.
526	Covenant	Chicago	Central Masonic Temple...
643	D. C. Cregier	Chicago	2403 North Ave.
711	Providence	Jefferson	Jefferson Park
758	Mystic Star	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
777	Ravenswood	Chicago	1755 Montrose Blvd.
797	Normal Park	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
819	Columbian	Chicago	3625 W. 22nd St.
850	Austin	Chicago	548 N. Park Ave., Austin..
864	Olympia	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave...
879	Composite	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave...
891	Logan Square	Chicago	3117 Logan Blvd.
900	Carnation	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave....
915	Jackson Park	Chicago	1538 E. 64th St.
926	Veritas	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd.
947	Kenmore	Chicago	6405 N. Clark St.
955	Cicero	Chicago	

Harry W. Harvey, D.D.G.M., 7211 Lexington Ave., Chicago.

THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
141	Garden City	Chicago	Masonic Temple
308	Ashlar	Chicago	
411	Hesperia	Chicago	29 W. Monroe St.
540	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park
662	South Park	Chicago	Washington Ave. and E. 55th
716	Calumet	Blue Island	Blue Island
765	Palace	Chicago	Market Blvd., Pullman....
779	Wright's Grove	Chicago	Clark St. and Belmont Ave.
800	Kenwood	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave...
832	Harvey	Harvey	Harvey
851	Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights.	Chicago Heights
865	St. Cecelia	Chicago	Masonic Temple
880	John B Sherman	Chicago	47th St. and Ashland Ave..
892	Constellation	Chicago	3518 N. Marshfield Ave....
901	Edgewater	Chicago	4737 Evanston Ave.
916	Welcome	Chicago	Masonic Temple
927	Candida	Chicago	Masonic Temple
949	Justice	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd.
957	Prospect	Chicago	

Harry A. Dever, D.D.G.M., 6925 N. Ashland Blvd, Chicago.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
160	Waubansia	Chicago	Masonic Temple
310	Dearborn	Chicago	3120 Forest Ave
422	Landmark	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave
557	Lessing	Chicago	1500 North Clark St
669	Herder	Chicago	1368 Blue Island Ave
717	Arcana	Chicago	W. Chicago Masonic Temple
767	Triluminar	Chicago	2939 E. 91st St
780	Siloam	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd
804	Kensington	Chicago	111th and Michigan Ave
836	Windsor Park	Chicago	75th St. and Coles Ave
854	Brighton Park	Chicago	3811 Archer Ave
869	Maywood	Maywood	Maywood
882	Boulevard	Chicago	55th and Halsted Sts
894	Utopia	Chicago	9231 Cottage Grove Ave
907	Ancient Craft	Chicago	51st and Michigan Blvd
917	Concord	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave
931	Wilmette	Willmette	1215 Wilmette Ave
954	Progressive	Chicago	

T. M. Avery, D.D.G.M., Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Chicago.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
182	Germania	Chicago	1500 North Clark St
311	Kilwinning	Chicago	912 LaSalle Ave
437	Chicago	Chicago	Masonic Temple
610	Union Park	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd
674	Waldeck	Chicago	44th and State St
726	Golden Rule	Chicago	Masonic Temple
768	Mizpah	Chicago	42nd and Halsted St
783	Constantia	Chicago	21 W. Adams St
810	Tracy	Tracy	Tracy
839	Berwyn	Berwyn	Berwyn
855	King Oscar	Chicago	Masonic Temple
873	Standard	Chicago	Masonic Temple
887	Pyramid	Chicago	Hagewich
895	Crescent	Chicago	5505 S. Halsted St
908	Gil. W. Barnard	Chicago	7439 Ingleside Ave
921	Avondale	Chicago	Belmont and Kedzie Ave
937	North Shore	Chicago	Wilson and Evanston Aves.

David D. King, D.D.G.M., 3002 Lake Park Ave., Chicago.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
209	W. B. Warren	Chicago	Masonic Temple
314	Palatine	Palatine	Palatine
478	Pleiades	Chicago	W. Chicago Masonic Temple
611	Lincoln Park	Chicago	1500 N. Clark St
686	Garfield	Chicago	California Ave. and Madison
731	Harbor	Chicago	2939 91st St
770	LaGrange	LaGrange	LaGrange
784	Beacon Light	Chicago	Norwood Park
813	Humboldt Park	Chicago	3636 Armitage
841	Woodlawn Park	Chicago	64th St. and Lexington Ave.
860	Metropolitan	Chicago	4035 W. Madison St
875	Corner-Stone	Chicago	912 LaSalle Ave
888	Damascus	Chicago	64th and Lexington Ave
896	Kosmos	Chicago	55th and Halsted Sts
909	Bee Hive	Chicago	4229 Cottage Grove Ave
922	Compass	Chicago	4201 S. Halsted St
938	Circle	Oak Park	Harrison Pl. & Clarence Av.
956	Washington Park	Chicago	

Wm. H. Bied, D.D.G.M., 6048 Langley Ave., Chicago.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Place of Meeting.
211	Cleveland	Chicago	Masonic Temple
393	Blair	Chicago	29 W. Monroe St.
508	Home	Chicago	3120 Forest Ave.
639	Keystone	Chicago	1500 N. Clark St.
690	Englewood	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
739	Lakeside	Chicago	3120 Forest Ave.
774	Lake View	Chicago	912 LaSalle Ave.
789	Auburn Park	Chicago	79th and Lowe Ave.
815	Lawn	Chicago	Chicago Lawn
842	Fides	Chicago	119th and Wallace.
862	Riverside	Riverside	Riverside
876	William McKinley	Chicago	Auditorium
889	America	Chicago	29 W. Monroe St.
897	Ogden Park	Chicago	6319 S. Ashland Ave.
913	Aaron	Chicago	6734 Wentworth Ave.
923	East Gate	Chicago	Masonic Temple
943	Bohemia	Chicago	12 S. Oakley Blvd.

E. C. Tillotson, D.D.G.M., Ill. Athletic Club, Chicago.

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
63	St. Marks	Woodstock	McHenry
138	Marengo	Marengo	McHenry
143	Richmond	Richmond	McHenry
158	McHenry	McHenry	McHenry
169	Nunda	Nunda	McHenry
309	Harvard	Harvard	McHenry
358	Orion	Union	McHenry
604	Hebron	Hebron	McHenry
78	Waukegan	Waukegan	Lake
115	Rising Sun	Gray's Lake	Lake
127	Antioch	Millburn	Lake
298	Wauconda	Wauconda	Lake
492	Libertyville	Libertyville	Lake
676	A. O. Fay	Highland Park	Lake
827	Sequoit	Antioch	Lake

C J. Wightman, D.D.G.M., Gray's Lake, Ill.

NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
60	Belvidere	Belvidere	Boone
575	Capron	Capr n	Boone
74	Rockton	Rockton	Winnebago
75	Roscoe	Roscoe	Winnebago
102	Rockford	Rockford	Winnebago
145	A. W. Rawson	Pecatonica	Winnebago
166	Star-in-the-East	Rockford	Winnebago
173	Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley	Winnebago
302	Durand	Durand	Winnebago
633	E. F. W. Ellis	Rockford	Winnebago
745	Winnebago	Winnebago	Winnebago
97	Excelsior	Freeport	Stephenson
170	Evergreen	Freeport	Stephenson
174	Lena	Lena	Stephenson
414	Evening Star	Davis	Stephenson
564	Winslow	Winslow	Stephenson
687	Orangeville	Orangeville	Stephenson
823	Pearl	Pearl City	Stephenson

C. L. Snyder, D.D.G.M., Freeport.

TENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
905	Hanover	Hanover	Jo Daviess
36	Kavanaugh	Elizabeth	Jo Daviess
273	Miners	Galena	Jo Daviess
278	Jo Daviess	Warren	Jo Daviess
491	Martin	East Dubuque	Jo Daviess
554	Plum River	Stockton	Jo Daviess
859	Apple River	Apple River	Jo Daviess
188	Cyrus	Mt. Carroll	Carroll
345	Milledgeville	Milledgeville	Carroll
385	Mississippi	Savanna	Carroll
423	Lanark	Lanark	Carroll
490	Shannon	Shannon	Carroll
559	Thomson	Thomson	Carroll
867	Chadwick	Chadwick	Carroll

J. L. Brearton, D.D.G.M., Savana.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
134	Sycamore	Sycamore	De Kalb
144	De Kalb	De Kalb	De Kalb
283	Meteor	Sandwich	De Kalb
288	Genoa	Genoa	De Kalb
301	Hinckley	Hinckley	De Kalb
374	Shabbona	Shabbona	De Kalb
402	Kishwaukee	Kingston	De Kalb
646	Somonauk	Somonauk	De Kalb
728	Waterman	Waterman	De Kalb
857	Boyd D.	Kirkland	De Kalb
96	Samuel H. Davis	Mt. Morris	Ogle
187	Mystic Tie	Polo	Ogle
244	Horicon	Rochelle	Ogle
274	Byron	Byron	Ogle
320	Creston	Creston	Ogle
420	Oregon	Oregon	Ogle
505	Meridian Sun	Holcomb	Ogle

F. E. Wright, D.D.G.M., DeKalb.

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
48	Unity	St. Charles	Kane
90	Jerusalem Temple	Aurora	Kane
117	Elgin	Elgin	Kane
139	Geneva	Geneva	Kane
190	Dundee	Dundee	Kane
254	Aurora	Aurora	Kane
359	Blackberry	Elburn	Kane
404	Batavia	Batavia	Kane
443	Hampshire	Hampshire	Kane
942	Maple Park	Maple Park	Kane
522	Monitor	Elgin	Kane
303	Raven	Oswego	Kendall
323	Orient	Lisbon	Kendall
428	Sunbeam	Plano	Kendall
471	Kendall	Yorkville	Kendall
65	Euclid	Naperville	Du Page
269	Wheaton	Wheaton	Du Page
472	Amity	West Chicago	Du Page
824	Grove	Downers Grove	Du Page
934	Hinsdale	Hinsdale	Du Page
941	Elmhurst	Elmhurst	Du Page
950	Glen Elynn	Glen Ellyn	Du Page

D M. Baird, D.D.G.M., Plano.

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
189	Fulton City	Fulton	Whiteside
293	Prophetstown	Prophetstown	Whiteside
321	Dunlap	Morrison	Whiteside
412	Bollen	Spring Hill	Whiteside
566	Albany	Albany	Whiteside
612	Rock River	Sterling	Whiteside
655	Yorktown	Tampico	Whiteside
667	Erie	Erie	Whiteside
750	Lyndon	Lyndon	Whiteside
936	Rock Falls	Rock Falls	Whiteside
7	Friendship	Dixon	Lee
146	Lee Centre	Lee Centre	Lee
178	Illinois Central	Amboy	Lee
205	Corinthian	Paw Paw	Lee
264	Franklin Grove	Franklin Grove	Lee
282	Brooklyn	Compton	Lee
349	Sublette	Sublette	Lee
531	Ashton	Ashton	Lee
902	Alto	Stewart	Lee

J. E. Wheat, D.D.G.M., Sterling.

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
49	Cambridge	Cambridge	Henry
92	Stewart	Geneseo	Henry
159	Kewanee	Kewanee	Henry
243	Galva	Galva	Henry
433	Annawan	Atkinson	Henry
502	Woodhull	Woodhull	Henry
535	Sherman	Orion	Henry
680	Clement	Cleveland	Henry
886	Hooppole	Hooppole	Henry
57	Trio	Rock Island	Rock Island
69	Eureka	Milan	Rock Island
319	Dorlc	Moline	Rock Island
436	Philo	Port Byron	Rock Island
516	Andalusia	Andalusia	Rock Island
543	Cordova	Cordova	Rock Island
547	Valley	Coal Valley	Rock Island
658	Rock Island	Rock Island	Rock Island
679	Buffalo Prairie	Illinois City	Rock Island
898	Silvis	Silvis	Rock Island

Milton T. Booth, D.D.G.M., Atkinson.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
142	Ames	Sheffield	Bureau
231	Wyanet	Wyanet	Bureau
270	Levi Lusk	Arlington	Bureau
383	La Moille	La Moille	Bureau
399	Buda	Buda	Bureau
550	Sharon	Tiskilwa	Bureau
587	Princeton	Princeton	Bureau
722	Walnut	Walnut	Bureau
803	Neponset	Neponset	Bureau
805	S. M. Dalzell	Spring Valley	Bureau
814	Ohio	Ohio	Bureau
933	Manlius	Manlius	Bureau
951	Depue	Depue	Bureau
103	Magnolia	Magnolia	Putnam
61	Lacon	Lacon	Marshall
119	Henry	Henry	Marshall
344	Wenona	Wenona	Marshall
441	Sparland	Sparland	Marshall

F. H. Bradley, D.D.G.M., Princeton, R.F.D.

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
13	St. John's	Peru	La Salle
40	Occidental	Ottawa	La Salle
67	Acacia	La Salle	La Salle
176	Mendota	Mendota	La Salle
183	Meridan	Earlville	La Salle
194	Freedom	Freedom	La Salle
364	Tonica	Tonica	La Salle
384	Waltham	Utica	La Salle
397	Shiloh	Troy Grove	La Salle
417	Marseilles	Marseilles	La Salle
477	Rutland	Rutland	La Salle
532	Senaca	Seneca	La Salle
555	Humboldt	Ottawa	La Salle
607	Streator	Streator	La Salle
735	Sheridan	Sheridan	La Salle
858	Utica	Utica	La Salle
870	Lostant	Lostant	La Salle
558	Leland	Leland	La Salle

Wm. H. Barnard, D.D.G.M., Ottawa.

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
42	Mt. Joliet	Joliet	Will
175	Matteson	Joliet	Will
208	Wilmington	Wilmington	Will
262	Channahon	Channahon	Will
536	Plainfield	Plainfield	Will
538	Lockport	Lockport	Will
636	Peotone	Peotone	Will
704	Braidwood	Braidwood	Will
763	Crete	Crete	Will
919	Elwood	Elwood	Will
124	Cedar	Morris	Grundy
528	Minooka	Minooka	Grundy
573	Gardner	Gardner	Grundy
757	Verona	Verona	Grundy
826	Mazon	Mazon	Grundy

Bruce I. Harley, D.D.G.M., Elwood.

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
378	Aroma	Waldron	Kankakee
928	Grant Park	Grant Park	Kankakee
389	Kankakee	Kankakee	Kankakee
481	Momence	Momence	Kankakee
168	Milford	Milford	Iroquois
305	Onarga	Onarga	Iroquois
316	Abraham Jonas	Loda	Iroquois
429	Chebanse	Chebanse	Iroquois
446	Watseka	Watseka	Iroquois
506	O. H. Miner	Iroquois	Iroquois
591	Gilman	Gilman	Iroquois
609	Sheldon	Sheldon	Iroquois
634	Buckley	Buckley	Iroquois
688	Clifton	Clifton	Iroquois
845	Martinton	Martinton	Iroquois
952	Donovan	Donovan	Iroquois

Wm. I. Holcomb, D.D.G.M., Kankakee.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
294	Pontiac	Pontiac	Livingston
351	Tarbolton	Fairbury	Livingston
371	Livingston	Dwight	Livingston
401	Odell	Odell	Livingston
539	Chatsworth	Chatsworth	Livingston
552	Long Point	Long Point	Livingston
614	Forrest	Forrest	Livingston
738	Saunemin	Saunemin	Livingston
868	Cornell	Cornell	Livingston
416	Paxton	Paxton	Ford
608	Piper	Piper City	Ford
631	Norton	Cabery	Ford
733	Gibson	Gibson City	Ford
761	Sibley	Sibley	Ford
811	Melvin	Melvin	Ford

W. A. Hoover, D.D.G.M., Gibson City.

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
930	Joseph Robbins	Peoria	Peoria
15	Peoria	Peoria	Peoria
46	Temple	Peoria	Peoria
106	Lancaster	Glasford	Peoria
222	George Washington	Chillicothe	Peoria
263	Illinois	Peoria	Peoria
335	Schiller	Peoria	Peoria
360	Princeville	Princeville	Peoria
363	Horeb	Elmwood	Peoria
748	Alta	Alta	Peoria
246	El Paso	El Paso	Woodford
247	Rob Morris	Minonk	Woodford
306	Wm. C. Hobbs	Eureka	Woodford
421	Washburn	Washburn	Woodford

Chas. H. Ireland, D.D.G.M., Washburn.

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
66	Pacific	Knoxville	Knox
155	Alpha	Galesburg	Knox
185	Abingdon	Abingdon	Knox
291	Wataga	Wataga	Knox
330	Altona	Altona	Knox
337	Oneida	Oneida	Knox
448	Yates City	Yates City	Knox
530	Maquon	Maquon	Knox
584	Vesper	Galesburg	Knox
685	Rio	Rio	Knox
793	A. T. Darrah	Victoria	Knox
93	Toulon	Toulon	Stark
415	Lawn Ridge	Speer	Stark
479	Wyoming	Wyoming	Stark
501	Stark	La Fayette	Stark
514	Bradford	Bradford	Stark

C. T. Holmes, D.D.G.M., Galesburg.

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
59	New Boston	New Boston	Mercer
113	Robert Burns	Keithsburg	Mercer
252	Aledo	Aledo	Mercer
367	Oxford	New Windsor	Mercer
577	Viola	Viola	Mercer
755	Pre-emption	Pre-emption	Mercer
838	Charity	Seaton	Mercer
946	Joy	Joy	Mercer
37	Monmouth	Monmouth	Warren
518	Abraham Lincoln	Kirkwood	Warren
519	Roseville	Roseville	Warren
702	Alexandria	Alexis	Warren
123	Oquawka	Oquawka	Henderson
727	Raritan	Raritan	Henderson
732	Carman	Carman	Henderson
847	Stronghurst	Stronghurst	Henderson

D. E. Farr, D.D.G.M., Aledo.

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
17	Macomb	Macomb	McDonough
233	Blandinsville	Blandinsville	McDonough
248	Golden Gate	Prairie City	McDonough
307	T. J. Pickett	Bushnell	McDonough
327	Industry	Industry	McDonough
496	Colchester	Colchester	McDonough
572	Bardolph	Bardolph	McDonough
617	Good Hope	Good Hope	McDonough
100	Astoria	Astoria	Fulton
104	Lewistown	Lewistown	Fulton
116	Vermont	Vermont	Fulton
192	Farmington	Farmington	Fulton
213	Ipava	Ipava	Fulton
253	Avon Harmony	Avon	Fulton
350	Fairview	Fairview	Fulton
534	Cuba	Cuba	Fulton
734	Morning Star	Canton	Fulton
848	London	London Mills	Fulton
939	Table Grove	Table Grove	Fulton

L. M. Morton, D.D.G.M., Canton.

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
20	Hancock	Carthage	Hancock
193	Herrick	Pontoosuc	Hancock
195	La Harpe	La Harpe	Hancock
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Hancock
238	Black Hawk	Hamilton	Hancock
257	Warsaw	Warsaw	Hancock
286	Plymouth	Plymouth	Hancock
295	Dills	West Point	Hancock
318	J. L. Anderson	Augusta	Hancock
464	Denver	Denver	Hancock
486	Bowen	Bowen	Hancock
618	Basco	Basco	Hancock
683	Burnside	Burnside	Hancock
715	Elvaston	Elvaston	Hancock
9	Rushville	Rushville	Schuyler
465	Huntsville	Huntsville	Schuyler
648	Camden	Camden	Schuyler
766	Littleton	Littleton	Schuyler
935	La Molne	Brooklyn	Schuyler

E. M. Crain, D.D.G.M., Augusta.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
29	Pekin	Pekin	Tazewell
98	Taylor	Washington	Tazewell
126	Empire	Pekin	Tazewell
132	Mackinaw	Mackinaw	Tazewell
156	Delavan	Delavan	Tazewell
352	Groveland	Morton	Tazewell
462	Tremont	Tremont	Tazewell
622	Hopedale	Hopedale	Tazewell
641	Comet	Minier	Tazewell
87	Mt. Pulaski	Mt. Pulaski	Logan
165	Atlanta	Atlanta	Logan
210	Logan	Lincoln	Logan
741	New Holland	New Holland	Logan
808	Cornland	Cornland	Logan
853	Latham	Latham	Logan
903	Elkhart	Elkhart	Logan

L. W. Lawton, D.D.G.M., Delavan.

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
43	Bloomington	Bloomington	McLean
221	Le Roy	Le Roy	McLean
251	Heyworth	Heyworth	McLean
292	Chenoa	Chenoa	McLean
468	Cheneys Grove	Saybrook	McLean
469	McLean	McLean	McLean
482	Lexington	Lexington	McLean
512	Wade Barney	Bloomington	McLean
542	Towanda	Towanda	McLean
582	Shirley	Shirley	McLean
656	Mozart	Bloomington	McLean
673	Normal	Normal	McLean
737	Arrowsmith	Arrowsmith	McLean
742	Danvers	Danvers	McLean
799	Colfax	Colfax	McLean
911	Bellflower	Bellflower	McLean

H. M. Palmer, D.D.G.M., McLean.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
38	Olive Branch	Danville	Vermilion
154	Russell	Georgetown	Vermilion
265	Vermillion	Indianola	Vermilion
285	Catlin	Catlin	Vermilion
527	Rossville	Rossville	Vermilion
590	Fairmount	Fairmount	Vermilion
632	Ridge Farm	Ridge Farm	Vermilion
709	Star	Hoopeston	Vermilion
714	Collison	Collison	Vermilion
725	Rankin	Rankin	Vermilion
782	Potomac	Potomac	Vermilion
798	Sidell	Sidell	Vermilion
872	Free Will	Oakwood	Vermilion

C. L. Sandusky, D.D.G.M., Danville.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
157	Urbana	Urbana	Champaign
199	Homer	Homer	Champaign
220	Mahomet	Mahomet	Champaign
240	Western Star	Champaign	Champaign
347	Sidney	Sidney	Champaign
391	Tolono	Tolono	Champaign
470	Rantoul	Rantoul	Champaign
537	J. R. Gorin	Sadorous	Champaign
574	Pera	Ludlow	Champaign
747	Centennial	Philo	Champaign
754	Ogden	Ogden	Champaign
791	Broadlands	Broadlands	Champaign
801	Sangamon	Fisher	Champaign
58	Fraternal	Monticella	Piatt
365	Bement	Bement	Piatt
600	Cerro Gordo	Cerro Gordo	Piatt
651	Atwood	Atwood	Piatt
773	Mansfield	Mansfield	Piatt
812	De Land	De Land	Piatt

Wilson P. Jones, D.D.G.M., Tolono.

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
84	De Witt	Clinton	DeWitt
172	Wayne	Waynesville	DeWitt
261	Amon	De Witt	DeWitt
710	Farmer City	Farmer City	DeWitt
746	Weldon	Weldon	DeWitt
820	Henderson	Kenney	DeWitt
8	Macon	Decatur	Macon
312	Ionic	Decatur	Macon
431	Summit	Harristown	Macon
454	Maroa	Maroa	Macon
467	South Macon	Macon	Macon
682	Blue Mound	Blue Mound	Macon
871	Argenta	Argenta	Macon

A. T. Summers, D.D.G.M., Decatur.

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
4	Springfield	Springfield	Sangamon
71	Central	Springfield	Sangamon
203	Lavely	Williamsville	Sangamon
333	Tyrian	Springfield	Sangamon
354	Ark and Anchor	Auburn	Sangamon
450	Loami	Loami	Sangamon
500	St. Pauls	Springfield	Sangamon
521	Illiopolis	Illiopolis	Sangamon
523	Chatham	Chatham	Sangamon
556	Dawson	Dawson	Sangamon
635	Rochester	Rochester	Sangamon
675	Pawnee	Pawnee	Sangamon
700	Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains	Sangamon
786	Riverton Union	Riverton	Sangamon
904	Carlock	Mechanicsburg	Sangamon
945	Buffalo	Buffalo	Sangamon
19	Clinton	Petersburg	Menard
653	Greenview	Greenview	Menard
762	VanMeter	Athens	Menard

Harry L Smith, D.D.G.M., Springfield.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
88	Havana	Havana	Mason
403	Mason City	Mason City	Mason
476	Manito	Manito	Mason
645	San Jose	San Jose	Mason
929	Ashland	Ashland	Cass
23	Cass	Beardstown	Cass
544	Virginia	Virginia	Cass
724	Chandlerville	Chandlerville	Cass
3	Harmony	Jacksonville	Morgan
52	Benevolent	Meredosia	Morgan
118	Waverly	Waverly	Morgan
346	N. D. Morse	Concord	Morgan
382	Gill	Lynnville	Morgan
432	Murrayville	Murrayville	Morgan
570	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Morgan
616	Wadley	Franklin	Morgan

Harry F. Smith, D.D.G.M., Beardstown.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
44	Hardin	Mt. Sterling	Brown
108	Versailles	Versailles	Brown
430	Kendrick	Mound Station	Brown
34	Barry	Barry	Pike
45	Griggsville	Griggsville	Pike
95	Perry	Perry	Pike
218	New Salem	New Salem	Pike
275	Milton	Milton	Pike
353	Kinderhook	Kinderhook	Pike
373	Chambersburg	Chambersburg	Pike
388	El Dara	El Dara	Pike
453	New Hartford	New Hartford	Pike
565	Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill	Pike
569	Time	Time	Pike
790	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Pike
806	Nebo	Nebo	Pike
821	New Canton	New Canton	Pike
830	Rockport	Rockport	Pike
910	Hull	Hull	Pike
940	Pearl	Pearl	Pike

W. W. Watson, D.D.G.M., Barry.

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
1	Bodley	Quincy	Adams
39	Herman	Quincy	Adams
114	Marcelline	Marcelline	Adams
135	Lima	Lima	Adams
147	Clayton	Clayton	Adams
227	Columbus	Columbus	Adams
266	Kingston	Fairweather	Adams
267	La Prairie	Golden	Adams
296	Quincy	Quincy	Adams
297	Benjamin	Camp Point	Adams
379	Payson	Payson	Adams
380	Liberty	Liberty	Adams
449	Mendon	Mendon	Adams
529	Adams	Plainville	Adams
659	Lambert	Quincy	Adams
893	Loraine	Loraine	Adams

Emmet Howard, D.D.G.M., Quincy.

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
792	Calhoun	Harden	Calhoun
856	West Gate	Hamburg	Calhoun
341	Full Moon	Grafton	Jersey
394	Jerseyville	Jerseyville	Jersey
592	Fieldon	Fieldon	Jersey
50	Carrollton	Carrollton	Greene
80	Whitehall	Whitehall	Greene
129	Greenfield	Greenfield	Greene
197	King Solomon	Kane	Greene
796	E. M. Husted	Roodhouse	Greene
105	Winchester	Winchester	Scott
229	Manchester	Manchester	Scott
424	Exeter	Exeter	Scott
846	Bluffs	Bluffs	Scott

Ralph M. Riggs, D.D.G.M., Winchester.

THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
76	Mt. Nebo	Carlinville	Macoupin
151	Bunker Hill	Bunker Hill	Macoupin
152	Fidelity	Medora	Macoupin
161	Virden	Virden	Macoupin
171	Girard	Girard	Macoupin
177	Staunton	Staunton	Macoupin
212	Shipman	Shipman	Macoupin
214	Gillispie	Gillespie	Macoupin
249	Hibbard	Brighton	Macoupin
426	Scottville	Scottville	Macoupin
445	Chesterfield	Chesterfield	Macoupin
461	Plainview	Plainview	Macoupin
463	Palmyra	Palmyra	Macoupin
874	Nifong	Modesto	Macoupin

E. R. Turnbull, D.D.G.M., Carlinville.

THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
906	Coffeen	Coffeen	Montgomery
51	Mount Moriah	Hillsboro	Montgomery
236	Chartered Oak	Litchfield	Montgomery
255	Donnelson	Donnellson	Montgomery
455	Irving	Irving	Montgomery
456	Nokomis	Nokomis	Montgomery
475	Walshville	Walshville	Montgomery
517	Litchfield	Litchfield	Montgomery
670	Fillmore	Fillmore	Montgomery
692	Raymond	Raymond	Montgomery
245	Greenville	Greenville	Bond
473	Gordon	Pocahontas	Bond
809	Gillham	Woburn	Bond
861	Sorento	Sorento	Bond

R. E. Gifford, D.D.G.M., Hillsboro.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
122	Mound	Taylorville	Christian
226	Pana	Pana	Christian
340	Kedron	Mount Auburn	Christian
451	Bromwell	Assumption	Christian
585	Fisher	Grove City	Christian
623	Locust	Owaneco	Christian
647	Blueville	Edinburg	Christian
681	Morrisonville	Morrisonville	Christian
53	Jackson	Shelbyville	Shelby
180	Mowequa	Moweaqua	Shelby
322	Windsor	Windsor	Shelby
392	Oconee	Oconee	Shelby
493	Tower Hill	Tower Hill	Shelby
541	Stewardson	Stewardson	Shelby
706	Joppa	Cowden	Shelby
831	Findlay	Findlay	Shelby

A. M. Bloxam, D.D.G.M., Taylorville.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
35	Charleston	Charleston	Coles
179	Wabash	Etna	Coles
219	Oakland	Oakland	Coles
260	Mattoon	Mattoon	Coles
390	Ashmore	Ashmore	Coles
396	Muddy Point	Trilla	Coles
788	Lerna	Lerna	Coles
332	Tuscola	Tuscola	Douglas
366	Arcola	Arcola	Douglas
369	Newman	Newman	Douglas
440	Camargo	Camargo	Douglas
825	Arthur	Arthur	Douglas
837	Hindsboro	Hindsboro	Douglas
885	Villa Grove	Villa Grove	Douglas
228	Lovington	Lovington	Moultrie
595	Miles Hart	Gays	Moultrie
764	Sullivan	Sullivan	Moultrie
825	Arthur	Arthur	Moultrie
884	Bethany	Bethany	Moultrie

Geo. N. Todd, D.D.G.M., Mattoon.

THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
125	Greenup	Greenup	Cumberland
279	Neoga	Neoga	Cumberland
580	Hazel Dell	Hazel Dell	Cumberland
698	Hutton	Diona	Cumberland
834	Toledo	Toledo	Cumberland
133	Marshall	Marshall	Clark
313	York	York	Clark
442	Casey	Casey	Clark
603	Clark	Martinsville	Clark
620	Newhope	Cohn	Clark
77	Prairie	Paris	Edgar
148	Bloomfield	Chrisman	Edgar
268	Paris	Paris	Edgar
280	Kansas	Kansas	Edgar
408	Stratton	Vermilion	Edgar
743	Scott Land	Scott Land	Edgar
829	Edgar	Hume	Edgar

J. I. Brydon, D.D.G.M., Martinsville.

FORTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
216	Newton	Newton	Jasper
489	Cooper	Willow Hill	Jasper
883	Wheeler	Wheeler	Jasper
136	Hutsonville	Hutsonville	Crawford
250	Robinson	Robinson	Crawford
348	Flat Rock	Flat Rock	Crawford
644	Oblong City	Oblong	Crawford
666	Crawford	Eaton	Crawford
756	Hardinsville	Hardinsville	Crawford
849	Palestine	Palestine	Crawford
140	Olney	Olney	Richland
362	Noble	Noble	Richland
509	Parkersburg	Parkersburg	Richland

W. H. Rupe, D.D.G.M., Olney.

FORTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
149	Effingham	Effingham	Effingham
217	Mason	Mason	Effingham
484	Edgewood	Edgewood	Effingham
533	Altamount	Altamount	Effingham
578	Prairie City	Montrose	Effingham
602	Watson	Watson	Effingham
664	Mayo	Winterrowd	Effingham
665	Beecher City	Beecher City	Effingham
16	Temperance	Vandalia	Fayette
405	Ramsey	Ramsey	Fayette
601	Farina	Farina	Fayette
769	St. Elmo	St. Elmo	Fayette

C. O. Faught, D.D.G.M., Altamont.

FORTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
196	Louisville	Louisville	Clay
204	Flota	Flora	Clay
485	Xenia	Xenia	Clay
488	Clay City	Clay City	Clay
691	Iola	Iola	Clay
130	Marion	Salem	Marion
201	Centralia	Centralia	Marion
398	Kimundy	Kinmundy	Marion
503	Odin	Odin	Marion
510	J. D. Moody	Iuka	Marion
613	Patoka	Patoka	Marion
932	Sandoval	Sandoval	Marion
948	R. T. Casey	Kell	Marion
206	Fairfield	Fairfield	Wayne
331	Mount Erie	Mt. Erie	Wayne
460	Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville	Wayne
713	Johnsonville	Johnsonville	Wayne
759	Orel	Wayne City	Wayne
925	Molenna	Golden Gate	Wayne

C. N. Hambleton, D.D.G.M., Jeffersonville.

FORTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

No	Name.	Location.	County.
79	Scott	Carlye	Clinton
109	Trenton	Trenton	Clinton
25	Franklin	Upper Alton	Madison
27	Piasa	Alton	Madison
99	Edwardsville	Edwardsville	Madison
355	Marine	Marine	Madison
406	Bethalto	Bethalto	Madison
560	Madison	New Douglas	Madison
583	Highland	Highland	Madison
588	Troy	Troy	Madison
712	Collinsville	Collinsville	Madison
835	Triple	Venice	Madison
877	Granite City	Granite City	Madison

Lysanius Caywood, D.D.G.M., Alton.

FORTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
24	St. Clair	Belleville	St. Clair
110	Lebanon	Lebanon	St. Clair
342	Summerfield	Summerfield	St. Clair
361	Douglas	Mascoutah	St. Clair
418	Freeburg	Freeburg	St. Clair
504	East St. Louis	East St. Louis	St. Clair
576	O'Fallon	O Fallon	St. Clair
852	Gothic	East St. Louis	St. Clair
881	Marissa	Marissa	St. Clair
474	Columbia	Columbia	Monroe
787	Morris	Waterloo	Monroe
72	Chester	Chester	Randolph
86	Kaskaskia	Evansville	Randolph
162	Hope	Sparta	Randolph
427	Red Bud	Red Bud	Randolph
497	Alma	Steeleville	Randolph

Harry L. Browning, D.D.G.M., East St. Louis.

FORTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
55	Washington	Nashville	Washington
153	Clay	Ashley	Washington
31	Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson
368	Jefferson	Opdyke	Jefferson
696	Belle Rive	Belle Rive	Jefferson
721	Rome	Dix	Jefferson
64	Benton	Benton	Franklin
567	Frankfort	West Frankfort	Franklin
705	Ewing	Ewing	Franklin
744	Goode	Brayfield	Franklin
749	Akin	Thompsonville	Franklin
807	Royal	Macedonia	Franklin
918	Sesser	Sesser	Franklin
85	Mitchell	Pinckneyville	Perry
207	Tamaroa	Tamaroa	Perry
234	Du Quoin	Du Quoin	Perry

Keith Stratton, D.D.G.M., Mt. Vernon.

FORTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
912	Stellar	St. Francesville	Lawrence
164	Edward Dobbins	Lawrenceville	Lawrence
334	Sumner	Sumner	Lawrence
386	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Lawrence
447	S. D. Monroe	Birds	Lawrence
356	Hermitage	Albion	Edwards
866	West Salem	West Salem	Edwards
239	Mount Carmel	Mount Carmel	Wabash
752	Allendale	Allendale	Wabash
200	Sheba	Grayville	White
272	Carmi	Carmi	White
668	Burnt Prairie	Burnt Prairie	White
677	Enfield	Enfield	White
718	May	Norris City	White

J. R. Ennis, D.D.G.M., Burnt Prairie.

FORTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
137	Polk	McLeansboro	Hamilton
630	Tuscan	Walpole	Hamilton
807	Royal	Macedonia	Hamilton
128	Raleigh	Raleigh	Saline
325	Harrisburg	Harrisburg	Saline
495	Stone Fort	Stone Fort	Saline
684	Gallatia	Gallatia	Saline
730	Eldorado	Eldorado	Saline
2	Equality	Equality	Gallatin
14	Warren	Shawneetown	Gallatin
230	New Haven	New Haven	Gallatin
723	Omaha	Omaha	Gallatin
816	Ridgway	Ridgway	Gallatin
920	Cottonwood	Cottonwood	Gallatin

J. C. Davenport, D.D.G.M., Harrisburg.

FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
241	Shekinah	Carbondale	Jackson
287	De Soto	De Soto	Jackson
434	Makanda	Makanda	Jackson
498	Murphysboro	Murphysboro	Jackson
657	La Fayette	Grand Tower	Jackson
695	Shiloh Hill	Campbell Hill	Jackson
833	Dean	Ava	Jackson
89	Fellowship	Marion	Williamson
487	Andrew Jackson	Corinth	Williamson
693	Herrin	Herrin's Prairie	Williamson
719	Chapel Hill	Wolf Creek	Williamson
729	Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Williamson
802	Williamson	Carterville	Williamson
817	Creal Springs	Creal Springs	Williamson

M. Ozment, D.D.G.M., Johnston City.

FORTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
150	Vienna	Vienna	Johnson
336	New Columbia	Ganntown	Johnson
339	Saline	Goreville	Johnson
419	Reynoldsburg	Tunnel Hill	Johnson
772	New Burnside	New Burnside	Johnson
778	Gurney	Grantsburg	Johnson
822	Belknap	Belknap	Johnson
953	Cypress	Stone Arch	Johnson
111	Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Union
466	Cobden	Cobden	Union
520	Anna	Anna	Union
581	Dongola	Dongola	Union
627	Union	Lick Creek	Union
840	Alto Pass	Alto Pass	Union
237	Cairo	Cairo	Alexander

C. H. Thompson, D.D.G.M., Cairo.

FIFTIETH DISTRICT.

No.	Name.	Location.	County.
276	Elizabeth	Elizabethtown	Hardin
444	Cave-in-Rock	Cave-in-Rock	Hardin
794	Tadmor	Karber's Ridge	Hardin
131	Golconda	Golconda	Pope
672	Eddyville	Eddyville	Pope
701	Temple Hill	Temple Hill	Pope
771	Bay City	Bay City	Pope
91	Metropolis	Metropolis	Massac
232	Farmers	Brookport	Massac
47	Caledonia	Olmsted	Pulaski
660	Grand Chain	Grand Chain	Pulaski
562	Trinity	Mound City	Pulaski

E. J. Cowling, D.D.G.M., Metropolis.

DEFUNCT LODGES

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS.
5	Far West	Galena	JoDaviess	April 29, 1840		Charter was never issued
6	Columbus	Columbus	Adams	April 29, 1840	1845-6	Surrendered
10	Joliet	Joliet	Will	Oct. 5, 1841	Oct. 15, 1845	Revoked
11	Cass	Virginia	Cass	Oct, 4, 1842		Rescinded and continued U. D.
12	Rising Sun	Montrose	Iowa*	Oct. 4, 1842	Oct. 3, 1843	Suspended
18	La Fayette	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 2, 1843	Oct. 1864	Arrested
21	Warsaw	Warsaw	Hancock	Oct. 2, 1843	May 9, 1847	Surrendered
22	Milwaukee	Milwaukee	Wisconsin*	Oct. 2, 1843		Transferred to Jurisdiction of Wisconsin
26	Hiram	Henderson	Knox	Oct. 7, 1844	March 22, 1902	Arrested
28	Monroe	Waterloo	Monroe	Oct. 7, 1844	1874-5	Arrested
30	Morning Star	Canton	Fulton	Oct. 6, 1845	July, 1875	Arrested
32	Apollo	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 6, 1845	Oct. 1848	Surrendered
41	Far West	Galena	Jo Daviess	Oct. 8, 1846	Oct. 6, 1852	Forfeited
54	Reclamation	Nauvoo	Hancock	Oct. 2, 1848	July 5, 1882	Surrendered
56	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Pike	Oct. 2, 1848	Oct. 27, 1886	Forfeited
62	Jerusalem	Oregon	Ogle	Oct. 3, 1848	Oct. 4, 1853	Forfeited
68	Naples	Naples	Scott	Oct. 2, 1849	Sept. 16, 1892	Arrested
70	Social	Hennepin	Putnam	Oct. 1849	Jan. 23, 1889	Surrendered
73	Batavia	Batavia	Kane	Oct. 1849	1859‡	Surrendered
82	Metamora	Metamora	Woodford	Oct. 8, 1850	1884-85	Surrendered
83	Iroquois	Middleport	Iroquois	Oct. 8, 1850	1856‡	No record
94	Morning Sun	Jerseyville	Jersey	Oct. 8, 1850	1862-63	Surrendered
101	Madison	Upper Alton	Madison	Oct. 6, 1851	1861-62	Surrendered
107	Fayette	Fayette	Greene	Oct. 6, 1851	Aug. 16, 1875	Arrested
112	Bureau	Princeton	Bureau	Oct. 2, 1851	Feb. 2, 1911	Consolidated with Princeton Lodge No. 587
120	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Morgan	Oct. 5, 1852	1854‡	No record
121	Cataract	St. Anthony's Falls	Minnesota	Oct. 5, 1852		Transferred to Jurisdiction of Minnesota
163	Westfield	Westfield	Clark	Oct. 3, 1855	Dec. 20, 1894	Surrendered
167	Oswego	Oswego	Kendall	Oct. 2, 1855	Feb. 7, 1859	Surrendered
181	Moultrie	Sullivan	Moultrie	Oct. 2, 1855	May 5, 1879	Arrested
184	Nebraska	Belleview	Nebraska*	Oct. 3, 1855		Transferred to Jurisdiction of Nebraska
186	Fort Armstrong	Rock Island	Rock Island	Oct. 6, 1856	March 9, 1863	Consolidated with Trio No. 57
191	Xenia	Xenia	Clay	Oct. 9, 1856	July 27, 1871	Surrendered
198	Grand View	Grand View Dudley	Edgar	Oct. 6, 1856	Feb. 9, 1889	Surrendered
202	Sterling	Sterling	Whiteside	Oct. 6, 1856	1868	Annulled
215	Weir	Six Mile	Madison	Oct. 7, 1856	1861-2	Surrendered
223	Keeney	Edgington	Rock Island	Oct. 8, 1856	Jan. 12, 1889	Arrested
224	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant St Anna Farmer City	De Witt	Oct. 8, 1856	1870-71	No record
225	Owisco	Kankakee	Kankakee	Oct.8, 1856	1862-63	Surrendered

242	Aegis	Annawan	Henry	Oct. 8, 1857	May 13, 1859	Arrested
256	Algonquin	Algonquin	McHenry	Oct. 6, 1858	Jan. 21, 1880	Surrendered
258	Bonus	Bonus	Boone	Oct. 6, 1865		
	Chemung	Chemung	McHenry		Aug. 26, 1885	Surrendered
259	New Berlin	New Berlin	Sangamon	Oct. 6, 1858	1874	Surrendered
281	Martinsville	Martinsville	Clark	Oct. 6, 1858	1865‡	No Record
284	Alton	Alton	Madison	Oct. 6, 1858	May 4, 1874	Consolidated with Piasa No. 27
289	Iroquois	Middleport	Iroquois	Oct. 7, 1858	1860‡	No record
290	Cache	Mound City	Pulaski	Oct. 7, 1858	1875‡	No record
299	Mechanicsburg	Mechanicsburg	Sangamon	Oct. 5, 1859	March 20, 1897	Arrested
300	Hanover	Hanover	Jo Daviess	Oct. 5, 1859	Jan. 7, 1887	Surrendered
304	C ment	Utica	La Salle	Oct. 5, 1859	1883	Surrendered
315	Erwin	Alton	Madison	Oct. 5, 1859	Sept. 19, 1901	Consolidated with Piasa No. 27 as Piasa No. 27
317	New Liberty	New Liberty	Pope	Oct. 5, 1859	Sept. 10, 1879	Arrested
324	Waukegan	Waukegan	Lake	Oct. 5, 1859	Feb. 5, 1864	Cons'lid'ted with Union No.78 as Waukegan No.78
326	Chemung	Chemung	McHenry	Oct 5, 1859	Dec. 23, 1861	Cons'lid'ted with Bonus No.258 as Chemung No.258
328	Grafton	Huntley	McHenry	Oct. 5, 1859	April 11, 1884	Surrendered
329	Durham	Durham	Hancock	Oct. 2, 1860	1868-69	Surrendered
338	Grand Detour	Grand Detour	Ogle	Oct. 2, 1860	1877-78	Arrested
343	Arcturus	Polo	gle	Oct. 2, 1860	1863‡	No record
357	Eddy	Kingston	Peoria	Oct. 2, 1860	1869‡	No record
370	Middleton	Middleton	Wayne	Oct. 8, 1862	April 19, 1878	Consolidated with Bell Rive No. 696
372	Galesburg	Galesburg	Knox	Oct. 8, 1862	Dec. 16, 1880	Surrendered
375	Isaac Underhill	Secor	Woodford	Oct. 8, 1862	1874‡	No record
376	Ash Grove	Ash Grove	Iroquois	Oct. 8, 1862	1869‡	No record
377	Archimedes	Belleville	St. Clair	Oct. 8, 1863	April 8, 1889	Consolidated with St. Clair Lodge No. 24
381	M. R. Thompson	Freeport	Stephenson	Oct. 8, 1863	Jan. 7, 1890	Consolidated with Excelsior Lodge No. 97
387	Greenbush	Greenbush	Warren	Oct. 8, 1863	May 28, 1889	Arrested
	Youngstown	Youngstown				
395	H. G. Reynolds	Whitefield	Bureau	Oct. 8, 1864	May 26, 1880	Surrendered
400	Pacific	Knoxville	Knox	Oct. 5, 1864	March 24, 1896	Conso'd'ted with Knoxville No. 66 as Pacific No.66
407	Blue Grass	Blue Grass	Vermilion	Oct. 5, 1864	April 12, 1882	Arrested
		Marysville				
413	Forreston	Forreston	Ogle	Oct. 5, 1864	Dec. 4, 1876	Consolidated with S. H. Davis Lodge No. 96
429	Kaneville	Kaneville	Kane	Oct. 4, 1865	July, 1883	Surrendered
435	Neponset	Neponset	Bureau	Oct. 4, 1865	July 12 1881.	Surrendered
438	H. W. Bigelow	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 4, 1865	March 27, 1875	Surrendered
439	Lu e	Quincy	Adams	Oct. 4, 1865	Jan. 17, 1889	Surrendered
452	Grant	Richview	Washington	Oct. 4, 1865	July 21. 1887	Surrendered
457	Moscow	Moscow	Union	Oct. 4, 1865	July 9, 1898	Arrested
458	Blazing Star	Crab Orchard	Williamson	Oct. 4, 1865	March 10, 1911	Arrested
459	Butler	Butler	Montgomery	Oct. 3, 1866	May 18. 1887	Surrendered
480	Logan	Lincoln	Logan	Oct. 3, 1866	Sept. 26, 1889	Consolidated with Lincoln No.210 as Logan No.210
483	Belle City	Belle City	Hamilton	Oct. 3, 1866	March 27. 1880	Arrested
494	Bath	Bath	Mason	Oct. 3, 1866	Dec. 19. 1895	Surrendered
499	Mt. Zion	Mt. Zion	Macon	Oct. 3, 1866	1874-75	Consolidated with Ionic Lodge No. 312
507	Manteno	Manteno	Kankakee	Oct. 3, 1866	March 14, 1878	Arrested
511	Clintonville	South Elgin	Kane	Oct. 3, 1866	April 7, 1897	Consolidated with Elgin Lodge No. 117

DEFUNCT LODGES.—*Continued.*

NO.	NAME.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	CHARTERED.	BECAME DEF'T	REMARKS.
513	Cold Spring	Cold Spring	Shelby	Oct. 1, 1867	July 27, 1882	Arrested
515	Dement	Dement	Ogle	Oct. 1, 1867	Jan. 25, 1886	Consolidated with Malta No. 320 as Creston No. 320
525	Delia	Ellittstown	Effingham	Oct. 1, 1867	Jan. 12, 1911	Consolidated with Mayo Lodge No. 664
545	Elkhart	Elkhart	Logan	Oct 1, 1867	Feb. 21, 1887	Surrendered
546	Nilwood	Nilwood	Macoupin	Oct. 1, 1867	1876-77	Surrendered
548	Apple River	Apple River	Jo Daviess	Oct. 1, 1867	March 4, 1898	Arrested
549	Newark	Newark	Kendall	Oct. 1, 1867	1884-5	Surrendered
551	Darwin	Darwin	Clark	Oct. 1, 1867	Aug. 25, 1887	Surrendered
553	Kyle	Macomb	McDonough	Oct. 1, 1867	1876-77	Surrendered
561	Trinity	Monmouth	Warren	Oct. 1, 1867	Jan. 28, 1886	Surrendered
563	Hamilton	Otterville	Jersey	Oct. 1, 1867	1886	
568	Delta	Cairo	Alexander	Oct. 1, 1867	Feb. 23, 1874	Consolidated with Cairo Lodge No. 237
571	Owisco	Kankakee	Kankakee	Oct. 1, 1867	1869	Surrendered
579	Elbridge	Ferrell	Edgar	Oct. 6, 1868	May 15, 1897	Surrendered
586	Tazewell	Delevan	Tazewell	Oct. 6, 1868	1874-75	Consolidated with Delavan Lodge No. 156
589	Elwood	Humbolt	Coles	Oct. 6, 1868	July 18, 1891	Surrendered
593	W. M. Egan	Jefferson	Cook	Oct. 6, 1868	Aug. 1872	Arrested
594	Lodi	Lodi	Kane	Oct. 6, 1868	April 19, 1876	Surrendered
596	National	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 6, 1868	March 13, 1894	Arrested
597	Lostant	Lostant	LaSalle	Oct. 6, 1868	Jan. 14, 1888	Surrendered
598	Dorchester	Dorchester	Macoupin	Oct. 6, 1868	Oct. 29, 1884	Surrendered
599	Fowler	Fowler	Adams	Oct 6, 1868	Feb. 24, 1879	Surrendered
605	Allen	∫ Allen ⟩ Stanford	McLean	Oct 6, 1868	May 5, 1886	Arrested
606	Wapella	Wapella	DeWitt	Oct. 6, 1868	May 26, 1874	Surrendered
615	Anchor	Mason	Mason	Oct. 5, 1869	1874-75	Consolidated with Mason City Lodge No. 403
619	Berwick	Cameron	Warren	Oct. 5, 1869	July 11, 1905	Arrested
621	Venice	Venice	Madison	Oct. 5, 1869	Aug. 21, 1886	Surrendered
624	Dubois	Dubois	Washington	Oct. 5, 1869	Sept. 1883	Surrendered
625	Melrose	Melrose	Clark	Oct. 5, 1869	May 4, 1877	Arrested
626	Putnam	Granville	Putnam	Oct. 5, 1869	Aug. 29, 1871‡	No record
628	Mosaic	Hudson	McLean	Oct. 5, 1869	Aug. 21, 1882	Arrested
629	Old Time	Havana	Mason	Oct. 5, 1869	Feb. 14, 1877	Consolidatedwith Havana Lodge No. 88
637	Burlington	Burlington	Kane	Oct. 6, 1869	Dec. 21, 1876	Surrendered
638	Fortitude	Sagetown	Henderson	Oct. 6, 1869	March 10, 1884	Arrested
640	Coleta	Coleta	Whiteside	Jan. 7, 1870	1874‡	No record
649	Hinsdale	Hinsdale	DuPage	Oct. 4, 1870	Feb. 16, 1895	Arrested
650	Irvington	Irvington	Washington	Oct. 4, 1870	Aug. 31 1891	Surrendered
652	Polar Star	Mulkeytown	Franklin	Oct. 4, 1870	Aug. 10 1888	Arrested
654	Woodford	ElPaso	Woodford	Oct. 4, 1870	March 5, 1877	Surrendered
661	Bethesda	∫ Potosi ⟩ Colfax	Livingston McLean	Oct. 5, 1870	March 1, 1886	Arrested
663	Phoenix	Mapleton	Peoria	Oct. 3, 1871	Feb. 12, 1901	Arrested

671	Farina	Farina	Marion	Oct. 3, 1871	April 1, 1880	Surrendered
678	Sheffield	Sheffield Rockbridge	Greene	Oct. 3, 1871	May 20, 1886	Arrested
689	Advance	Galva	Henry	Oct. 1, 1872	Nov. 28, 1876	Surrendered
694	Center	Pana	Christian	Oct. 1, 1872	Jan. 14, 1887	Surrendered
699	Libanus	Rosemond	Christian	Oct. 7, 1873	Sept. 21, 1875.	Arrested
703	St. Andrews	Chicago	Cook	Oct. 8, 1873	March 20, 1885.	Surrendered
707	Circle	Mattoon	Coles	Oct. 8, 1873	April 23, 1896	Consolidated with Mattoon Lodge No. 260
708	Lemont	Lemont	Cook	Oct. 8, 1873	Sept. 7, 1897	Surrendered
720	Varna	Varna	Marshall	Oct. 7, 1874	May 13, 1882	Surrendered
736	Dennison	Dennison McKeen	Clark	Oct. 3, 1876	Dec. 22, 1888	Surrendered
740	Grant Park	Grant Park	Kankakee	Oct. 3, 1876	May 15, 1895	Surrendered
753	Cornell	Cornell	Livingston	Oct. 2, 1877	Sept. 1, 1888	Arrested
760	Bellflower	Bellflower	McLean	Oct. 5, 1881	July 13, 1886	Surrendered
775	Omega	Charleston	Coles	Oct. 6, 1886	Dec. 9, 1899	Consolidated with Charleston Lodge No. 35
781	Colchester	Colchester	McDonough	Oct. 6, 1886	Jan. 21, 1902	Consolidated with Tennessee Lodge No. 496 as Colchester Lodge, No. 496
828	Trinity	Mound City	Pulaski	Oct. 4, 1893	Jan. 1, 1896	Consol'd with Villa Ridge, No. 562 as Trinity No. 562
785	Stanford	Stanford	McLean	Oct. 3, 1888	April 30, 1903.	Surrendered
714	Newtown	Collison	Vermilion	Oct. 7, 1874		Consolidated with Hopewell No. 844 as Collison
844	Hopewell	Hope	Vermilion	Oct. 30, 1895		Consolidated with Newtown No. 714 as Collison

*State. †Constituted; no date given when chartered. ‡Records cease.

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

Lodge No.	Name	Postoffice	County	Membership 1911	Increase				Total Increase	Decrease					Total Decrease	Present Membership 1912	Dues 1912	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Membership residing in Illinois	Membership residing outside of Ill.	Contrib'd to Members, their widows and orphans	Contrib'd to those not Members	Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.
					Add for error	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
1	Bodley	Quincy	Adams	277	...	19	...	9	28	...	...	...	9	4	13	292	261.90	7	17	16	241	51	73.90	31.02	
2	Equality	Equality	Gallatin	37	...	6	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	44	39.60	...	8	6	40	4	43.50		
3	Harmony	Jacksonville	Morgan	220	...	19	3	9	31	...	...	...	7	1	8	243	218.70	2	11	17	217	26	114.00	10.00	
4	Springfield	Springfield	Sangamon	236	...	13	...	4	17	...	...	...	3	4	7	246	221.40	5	10	10	200	46		15.00	
7	Friendship	Dixon	Lee	231	1	7	1	2	11	1	2	...	5	2	10	232	208.80	4	11	9	211	21			
8	Macon	Decatur	Macon	627	...	29	...	6	35	...	...	...	7	6	13	649	581.40	3	43	33	556	93	204.19	10.55	
9	Rushville	Rushville	Schuyler	98	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	2	2	97	87.30	1	4	2	87	10			
13	St. John's	Peru	LaSalle	126	...	4	...	...	4	...	4	...	2	2	8	122	109.80	2	3	3	110	12			
14	Warren	Shawneetown	Gallatin	68	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	6	1	7	63	56.70	1	1	2	49	14		1.75	10.00
15	Peoria	Peoria	Peoria	594	...	26	2	2	30	...	6	...	11	12	29	595	533.70	10	22	24	531	64	145.03		
16	Temperance	Vandalia	Fayette	88	...	4	1	1	6	...	...	...	3	2	5	89	80.10	3	6	4	75	14		5.75	
17	Macomb	Macomb	McDonough	187	...	5	...	6	11	...	...	...	3	3	6	192	172.80	2	10	5	182	10			
19	Clinton	Petersburg	Menard	179	...	5	...	4	9	...	...	...	1	2	3	185	166.50	3	5	3	150	35	30.00		
20	Hancock	Carthage	Hancock	150	...	8	...	6	14	...	...	...	2	3	5	159	143.10	...	8	6	143	16	15.00		
23	Cass	Beardstown	Cass	156	...	26	1	4	31	...	...	...	2	2	4	183	164.70	6	23	26	171	12			
24	St. Clair	Belleville	St. Clair	157	...	12	...	3	15	...	...	...	2	1	3	169	152.10	7	14	12	149	20	150.00	25.00	
25	Franklin	Upper Alton	Madison	90	...	3	...	1	4	...	1	...	1	1	3	91	81.90	1	6	4	72	19			
27	Piasa	Alton	Madison	169	...	8	1	3	12	...	...	...	...	2	2	179	161.10	1	13	9	150	29	3.33		
29	Pekin	Pekin	Tazewell	114	...	15	...	4	19	...	1	...	3	2	6	127	114.30	1	18	15	122	5	10.00		
31	Mt. Vernon	Mt. Vernon	Jefferson	160	1	11	2	15	29	...	3	...	1	3	7	182	163.80	7	12	15	161	21			
33	Oriental	Chicago	Cook	543	...	39	2	...	41	...	8	...	28	8	44	540	486.00	9	48	42	479	61	515.64		85.00
34	Barry	Barry	Pike	116	...	3	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	1	1	119	107.10	...	3	4	101	18	5.00		
35	Charleston	Charleston	Coles	188	...	13	1	2	16	...	1	...	3	1	5	199	179.10	3	11	11	167	32	142.00		
36	Kavanaugh	Elizabeth	Jo Daviess	60	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	61	54.90	...	...	...	46	15			
37	Monmouth	Monmouth	Warren	176	...	9	2	4	15	1	1	...	3	1	6	185	165.60	5	8	9	151	34	85.00	5.00	
38	Olive Branch	Danville	Vermilion	453	...	20	4	2	26	...	10	...	5	8	23	456	410.40	10	20	24	366	90	321.49	36.30	20.00
39	Herman	Quincy	Adams	131	...	13	...	1	14	...	1	...	4	4	9	136	122.40	2	16	16	115	21			
40	Occidental	Ottawa	LaSalle	241	...	26	1	8	35	...	1	...	6	3	10	266	239.40	2	18	29	242	24	78.75		
42	Mt. Joliet	Joliet	Will	417	...	29	1	4	34	...	3	...	4	7	14	437	393.30	10	25	30	364	73	376.41		
43	Bloomington	Bloomington	McLean	323	...	32	...	14	46	...	...	...	6	3	9	360	324.00	6	46	39	327	33	55.00	55.00	
44	Hardin	Mt. Sterling	Brown	118	...	4	...	1	5	...	3	...	...	2	5	118	106.20	1	5	4	110	8			
45	Griggsville	Griggsville	Pike	74	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	2	5	70	63.00	1	...	...	58	12	78.83		
46	Temple	Peoria	Peoria	896	...	40	4	12	56	...	6	...	14	12	32	920	825.30	5	43	42	791	129	319.66	25.00	25.00

47	Caledonia	Olmsted	Pulaski	47						1						1	46	41.40		1	1	42	4				
48	Unity	St. Charles	Kane	99		9		1	10		1		2	2		5	104	93.60	1	10	9	95	9				
49	Cambridge	Cambridge	Henry	79		7		3	10					2		2	87	78.30		6	7	73	14				
50	Carrollton	Carrollton	Greene	143		10		4	14				3	1		4	153	137.70	4	13	12	140	13				
51	Mt. Moriah	Hillsboro	Montgom'y.	121		14	1	3	18				2	2		4	135	121.50	9	13	14	127	8				
52	Benevolent	Meredosia	Morgan	62		3			3				1			1	64	57.60		3	3	59	5				2.00
53	Jackson	Shelbyville	Shelby	144		15	1	4	20				3	2		5	159	143.10	1	14	15	140	19	22.00	4.50		
55	Washington	Nashville	Washingt'n	70		2		2	4				2	1		3	71	63.90	1	5	5	59	12	10.70			
57	Trio	Rock Island	Rock Island	287		15	3	6	24				5	7		12	299	268.20	2	17	15	262	37	205.65	10.00		
58	Fraternal	Monticello	Piatt	119		1		2	3		3		3	4		10	112	100.80	1	1	1	102	10				
59	New Boston	New Boston	Mercer	88		9			9				2			2	95	85.50		5	8	81	14				
60	Belvidere	Belvidere	Boone	279		19		2	21	1			6	1		8	292	262.80	12	25	24	249	43	25.00			
61	Lacon	Lacon	Marshall	78		5	1	2	8				1			1	85	76.50	1	19	9	76	9				
63	St. Marks	Woodstock	McHenry	121		8		2	10				1	2		3	128	115.20	1	7	9	113	15				
64	Benton	Benton	Franklin	114		7		2	9		3		4			7	116	104.40	4	7	8	108	8				
65	Euclid	Naperville	Du Page	111		6	1	1	8				1	2		3	116	103.50	1	7	6	106	10				
66	Pacific	Knoxville	Knox	68		4	1	1	6		4		4	2		10	64	57.60	1	3	4	57	7				
67	Acacia	La Salle	La Salle	158		6	1		7				2	3		5	160	144.00	2	4	5	147	13				
69	Eureka	Milan	Rock Island	64		5			5		1		2	1		4	65	58.50	1	4	5	55	10	5.00	5.00		
71	Central	Springfield	Sangamon	267		16		6	22				5	3		8	281	252.90	5	17	16	264	17	60.00			
72	Chester	Chester	Randolph	63		2			2					1		1	64	57.60	1	2	2	48	16				
74	Rockton	Rockton	Winnebago	95		9	2	1	12		2		2	4		8	103	92.70	3	14	11	94	9				
75	Roscoe	Roscoe	Winnebago	82		4		1	5					2		2	85	76.50	2	4	2	63	22				
76	Mt. Nebo	Carlinville	Macoupin	119		4		4	8		1		3	2		6	121	108.90		6	6	108	13				
77	Prairie	Paris	Edgar	296		13		1	14					14		14	296	266.40	10	8	10	254	42	185.00	5.00		
78	Waukegan	Waukegan	Lake	398		18		5	23				2	6		8	413	371.70	10	19	22	350	63	125.00	35.00		
79	Scott	Carlyle	Clinton	66		6		1	7				2	1		3	70	63.00	7	4	6	64	6				
80	Whitehall	Whitehall	Greene	83	2	13		3	18				2	2		4	97	87.30		10	12	87	10	20.00			
81	Vitruvius	Wheeling	Cook	72		7			7					1		1	78	70.20		5	5	72	6				
84	DeWitt	Clinton	DeWitt	184		9		2	11				7	5		12	183	164.70	7	12	10	165	18	190.00	7.00		
85	Mitchell	Pinckneyville	Perry	106		6	2	3	11				1	2		3	114	102.60		7	6	104	10		10.00		
86	Kaskaskia	Evansville	Randolph	30		4			4				1			1	33	29.70	2	1	3	28	5	40.00			
87	Mt. Pulaski	Mt. Pulaski	Logan	83		1	1	1	3		1		1			2	84	75.60		4	1	79	5	5.00			
88	Havana	Havana	Mason	107		7	1	2	10				1	2		3	114	102.60		7	7	104	10	54.00			
89	Fellowship	Marion	Williamson	126		3		2	5				3	2		5	126	113.40	2	8	3	121	5	4.00			
90	Jerusal'mTemple	Aurora	Kane	266	1	27	1	5	34		1		3	6		10	290	261.00	3	30	23	272	18	81.83			
91	Metropolis	Metropolis	Massac	113		3			3		1		3	1		5	111	99.90	2	3	3	100	11				
92	Stewart	Geneseo	Henry	145		4		1	5				2	4		6	144	129.60		2	4	127	17				
93	Toulon	Toulon	Stark	81		7		1	8					1		1	88	79.20	1	8	8	74	14				
95	Perry	Perry	Pike	64		1	2	2	5		1		1	1		3	66	59.40		1	1	56	10	21.15			
96	Samuel H. Davis	Mt. Morris	Ogle	76		4		2	6		1		2			3	79	71.10		11	4	69	9	30.00			
97	Excelsior	Freeport	Stephenson	376		20			20		2		4	4		10	386	347.40	8	17	18	320	66	51.65			
98	Taylor	Washington	Tazewell	91		3		4	7		1			3		4	94	84.60		6	4	85	9				
99	Edwardsville	Edwardsville	Madison	139		8			8				4	4		8	139	125.10		8	8	128	11		6.50		
100	Astoria	Astoria	Fulton	81		3		1	4				2	1		3	82	73.80	1	5	3	71	11	250.00			
102	Rockford	Rockford	Winnebago	390	1	25	3	1	30				3	8		11	409	368.10	3	28	25	368	41	58.50			
103	Magnolia	Magnolia	Putnam	84		1			1		1		2	1		4	81	72.90		4	2	73	8	15.00			
104	Lewistown	Lewistown	Fulton	90		10		2	12				4	2		6	96	86.40		12	9	87	9	6.00			

TABULAR STATEMENT—*Showing Amount of Dues, Number of Members, Increase, Decrease, and Amount of Charity.*

Lodge No.	Name	Postoffice	County	Membership 1911	Increase				Total Increase	Decrease				Total Decrease	Present Membership 1912	Dues 1912	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Membership residing in Illinois	Membership residing outside of Ill.	Contrib'd to Members, their widows and orphans	Contrib'd to those not Members	Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.	
					Add for error	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
105	Winchester	Winchester	Scott	67	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	2	66	59.40	1	3	1	55	7	30.00		
106	Lancaster	Glasford	Peoria	108	...	7	...	...	7	...	...	4	...	...	8	107	96.30	3	10	8	107	...			
108	Versailles	Versailles	Brown	59	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	4	5	55	49.50	2	1	...	51	4	8.75		
109	Trenton	Trenton	Clinton	48	...	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	...	1	53	47.70	4	7	6	50	3			
110	Lebanon	Lebanon	St. Clair	55	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	4	5	52	46.80	1	2	2	43	9			
111	Jonesboro	Jonesboro	Union	70	...	8	...	1	9	...	...	...	2	...	2	77	69.30	...	8	9	64	13			
113	Robert Burns	Keithsburg	Mercer	106	...	5	...	1	6	...	...	...	4	3	7	105	94.50	...	1	1	82	23			
114	Marcelline	Marcelline	Adams	56	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	1	3	54	48.60	...	...	...	46	8			
115	Rising Sun	Gray's Lake	Lake	96	...	2	...	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	3	93	83.70	1	5	2	86	7			
116	Vermont	Vermont	Fulton	54	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	2	5	50	45.00	...	...	...	42	8	5.00		
117	Elgin	Elgin	Kane	346	...	53	...	3	56	...	...	...	8	6	14	388	346.50	10	56	54	337	51	58.00	10.00	
118	Waverly	Waverly	Morgan	91	...	1	1	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	94	84.60	1	...	1	81	13			
119	Henry	Henry	Marshall	79	...	3	...	1	4	...	...	...	1	...	1	82	73.80	1	3	3	71	11			
122	Mound	Taylorville	Christian	162	...	3	2	...	5	...	...	...	3	3	6	161	144.90	5	6	5	157	4			
123	Oquawka	Oquawka	Henderson	61	...	2	...	...	2	...	6	...	5	1	12	51	45.90	...	2	2	41	10	128.00		
124	Cedar	Morris	Grundy	158	...	11	...	...	11	1	...	...	1	3	5	164	147.60	1	6	8	147	17	10.00		
125	Greenup	Greenup	Cumberl'nd	54	...	7	1	1	9	...	...	...	...	2	2	61	54.90	1	7	7	59	2			
126	Empire	Pekin	Tazewell	128	...	5	...	...	5	...	1	...	5	...	6	127	114.30	...	4	3	119	8			
127	Antioch	Milburn	Lake	78	...	6	...	1	7	...	...	...	2	2	4	81	72.90	...	1	3	76	5			
128	Raleigh	Raleigh	Saline	57	...	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	2	...	3	56	50.40	1	2	2	51	5	10.00	10.00	
129	Greenfield	Greenfield	Greene	78	...	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	1	2	82	73.80	...	6	5	77	5	6.00		
130	Marion	Salem	Marion	142	...	17	...	4	21	...	...	...	2	2	4	159	142.20	4	11	17	141	18			
131	Golconda	Golconda	Pope	85	...	3	...	2	5	...	...	...	1	2	3	87	78.30	1	2	3	77	10	130.00		
132	Mackinaw	Mackinaw	Tazewell	56	...	1	1	2	4	...	...	...	3	1	4	56	49.50	1	...	2	49	7	30.96		
133	Marshall	Marshall	Clark	115	...	5	...	5	10	...	3	...	3	3	9	116	104.40	2	3	4	89	27			
134	Sycamore	Sycamore	DeKalb	180	...	10	...	4	14	1	...	...	2	3	13	181	162.00	1	10	7	123	58			
135	Lima	Lima	Adams	58	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	59	52.20	...	2	2	50	9			
136	Hutsonville	Hutsonville	Crawford	33	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	33	29.70	...	6	4	23	10			
137	Polk	McLeansboro	Hamilton	101	...	3	...	2	5	...	...	...	2	1	3	103	92.70	4	5	3	85	18	310.56		
138	Marengo	Marengo	McHenry	82	...	8	...	3	11	...	1	...	2	3	6	87	78 30	1	8	7	84	3			
139	Geneva	Geneva	Kane	89	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	2	4	87	78.30	...	2	1	70	17	10.00	5.00	
140	Olney	Olney	Richland	112	...	7	4	1	12	...	5	...	2	1	8	116	104.40	...	2	3	95	21	21.00	15.00	
141	Garden City	Chicago	Cook	1438	...	58	5	3	66	...	13	...	30	21	64	1440	1296.00	18	64	61	1337	103	1012.32	187 65	25.00

142	Ames	Sheffield	Bureau	66		4	2		6	1			3		4	68	61.20		4	4	60	8					
143	Richmond	Richmond	McHenry	75		2			2		4		1	1	6	71	63.90		3	3	62	9	20.00				
144	DeKalb	De Kalb	De Kalb	179		3		3	12	2	2		8	1	13	178	156.60	3	5	7	168	10	108.00	5.00			
145	A. W. Rawson	Pecatonica	Winnebago	74		3			3				3		3	74	66.60	1	3	3	64	10					
146	Lee Center	Lee Center	Lee	62		1			1				1	1	2	61	51.90				51	10					
147	Clayton	Clayton	Adams	71		6	1	1	8				2	2	4	75	67.50	1	6	6	63	12					
148	Bloomfield	Chrisman	Edgar	146		5		2	7		5			3	8	145	130.50	1	5	4	127	18					
149	Effingham	Effingham	Effingham	85		14		2	16		2		2	1	5	96	86.40	2	14	13	70	26					
150	Vienna	Vienna	Johnson	83		7			7					1	1	89	79.20		7	7	82	7					
151	Bunker Hill	Bunker Hill	Macoupin	80		8		1	9				2		2	87	78.30		7	8	76	11					
152	Fidelity	Medora	Macoupin	56		1		1	2				2	1	3	55	49.50	1	3	3	52	3	10.00		10.00		
153	Clay	Ashley	Washington	87	1	2		1	4				2	1	3	88	79.20		1	2	69	19	16.50				
154	Russell	Georgetown	Vermilion	97		2			2	2	6		2		10	89	80.10		3	3	88	1					
155	Alpha	Galesburg	Knox	179	1	10	1	3	15				2	1	3	191	171.90	2	11	10	158	33	60.00				
156	Delavan	Delavan	Tazewell	90		10			10		1			1	2	98	88.20		9	9	85	13			10.00		
157	Urbana	Urbana	Champaign	340		26		7	33				2	4	6	367	330.30	2	26	27	293	74	128.54	20.20			
158	McHenry	McHenry	McHenry	90		5			5		1		4	2	7	88	79.20	4	5	4	77	11					
159	Kewanee	Kewanee	Henry	190		14		3	17				2	3	5	202	181.80	3	16	15	171	31	85.00				
160	Waubansia	Chicago	Cook	364	1	32	2	1	36	1	6		5	5	17	383	343.80	6	31	33	360	23	676.86	18.20	50.00		
161	Virden	Virden	Macoupin	118		4	1	3	8				3		3	123	110.70		6	4	100	23					
162	Hope	Sparta	Randolph	90	1	6	1	2	10				1	1	2	98	88.20	2	4	5	85	13	43.43	22.00			
164	Edward Dobbins	Lawrenceville	Lawrence	109		16	1	4	21		9		1	1	11	119	107.10	11	19	15	98	21					
165	Atlanta	Atlanta	Logan	89		2			2		1		1	1	3	88	79.20	1	3	2	77	11	40.00				
166	Star in the East	Rockford	Winnebago	458		31		14	45				9	2	11	492	442.80	5	22	24	401	91	147.83				
168	Milford	Milford	Iroquois	83		4			4				2	1	3	84	75.60		4	4	66	18	15.00				
169	Nunda	Nunda	McHenry	80		9	1	1	11				2	5	7	84	75.60	7	5	7	79	5					
170	Evergreen	Freeport	Stephenson	186	3	14		2	19		1		2	1	4	201	177.30	3	13	12	177	24	7.00				
171	Girard	Girard	Macoupin	96		9			9					3	3	102	91.80	2	13	9	89	13	25.00				
172	Wayne	Waynesville	DeWitt	51		5			5	1			1	1	3	53	47.70		5	5	45	8					
173	Cherry Valley	Cherry Valley	Winnebago	59		3			3							62	55.80		3	3	54	8					
174	Lena	Lena	Stephenson	70		2		1	3		1		1	1	3	70	62.10		7	2	66	4	28.00				
175	Mattison	Joliet	Will	401		28	3	5	36		6		14	9	29	408	367.20	11	29	26	361	47	10.00				
176	Mendota	Mendota	La Salle	109		1		1	2		4		2		6	105	81.90	1	5	3	95	10					
177	Staunton	Staunton	Macoupin	159		17		5	22				1	2	3	178	160.20	6	13	15	155	23					
178	Illinois Central	Amboy	Lee	120		3	1	1	5		1		5	3	9	116	104.40		3	3	93	23	143.50	3.00			
179	Wabash	Etna	Coles	39		4			4		2					41	36.90		4	4	36	5					
180	Moweaqua	Moweaqua	Shelby	72		12		2	14				1	1	2	84	75.60		16	12	77	7					
182	Germania	Chicago	Cook	352		13			13		1		2	10	13	352	315.90	6	14	15	327	25	400.00	112.50			
183	Meridian	Earlville	La Salle	53		5		5	10				2	2	4	59	53.10		4	5	55	4					
185	Abingdon	Abingdon	Knox	90		1		1	2				2	1	3	89	80.10	1	2	1	77	12					
187	Mystic Tie	Polo	Ogle	82	1	1		1	3			1	2	3	6	79	71.10		1	1	61	18					
188	Cyrus	Mt. Carroll	Carroll	93		10		2	12				3	2	5	100	90.00	1	7	10	81	19					
189	Fulton City	Fulton	Whiteside	79		4	2	1	7				2	5	7	78	71.10		4	4	58	21		10.00			
190	Dundee	Dundee	Kane	165		11	2	1	14				2	3	5	174	156.60	5	15	11	155	19					
192	Farmington	Farmington	Fulton	119		4	1		5		1			3	4	120	108.00		4	3	103	17	36.00				
193	Herrick	Pontoosuc	Hancock	30		3		1	4				1		1	33	29.70		4	3	21	12		30.00			
191	Freedom	Freedom	La Salle	50		1	1		2					3	3	49	44.10		1	1	42	7					
195	La Harpe	La Harpe	Hancock	145	1	5		1	7		6		1	1	8	144	129.60	2	6	6	123	21	5.00				

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Lodge No.	Name	Postoffice	County	Membership 1911.	Increase				Total Increase.	Decrease				Total Decrease.	Present Membership 1912.	Dues 1912.	Rejections.	Initiations.	Passed	Membership residing in Illinois.	Membership residing outside of Ill.	Contrib'd to Members, their widows and orphans	Contrib'd to those not Members	Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.	
					Add for error.	Raised	Reinstated.	Admitted		Ded. for error.	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
196	Louisville	Louisville	Clay	77	2	4	2	1	9	4	4			1	9	77	65.70	1	2	2	70	7			
197	King Solomon's	Kane	Greene	58		2		1	3		1			1	2	59	53.10		2	2	52	7			
199	Homer	Homer	Champaign	94		6			6				1		1	99	89.10	3	9	6	92	7			
200	Sheba	Grayville	White	57		3	1	1	5				2	2	4	58	52.20		2	4	52	6	10.00		
201	Centralia	Centralia	Marion	224		5	2	4	11				11	7	18	217	195.30	2	13	9	183	34	175.05	3.75	
203	Lavely	Williamsville	Sangamon	72		5		4	9					1	1	80	72.00	2	3	4	76	4			
204	Flora	Flora	Clay	83		13			13		2		1	3	6	90	81.00	2	11	13	74	16			
205	Corinthian	Paw Paw	Lee	63							1			1	3	60	54.00				56	4			
206	Fairfield	Fairfield	Wayne	124		8		2	10				2	3	5	129	116.10		9	8	114	15			
207	Tamaroa	Tamaroa	Perry	52		6	1	1	8				1	1	2	58	52.20	1	3	5	46	12			
208	Wilmington	Wilmington	Will	96		6		1	7					2	2	101	90.90	3	5	5	93	8			
209	Wm. B. Warren	Chicago	Cook	494		30	2		32				7	8	15	511	459.00	5	25	32	445	66	596.72		
210	Logan	Lincoln	Logan	196		9		2	11		3		7	7	16	191	171.00		14	9	163	28	91.55		
211	Cleveland	Chicago	Cook	696		69			69		6		11	10	27	738	664.20	7	60	68	650	88	805.77		25.00
212	Shipman	Shipman	Macoupin	56		2			4				1	1	2	56	50.40		2	2	52	4			
213	Ipava	Ipava	Fulton	91		7		1	8				13	1	14	85	76.50	1	2	4	71	14	18.00		
214	Gillespie	Gillespie	Macoupin	79	2	10		1	13					1	1	91	81.90	2	12	10	74	17	20.00		
216	Newton	Newton	Jasper	88		5		2	7				1	1	2	93	82.80		8	8	87	6			
217	Mason	Mason	Effingham	55	1	2			3				1	4	5	53	47.70	1	2	2	48	5			
218	New Salem	New Salem	Pike	36		4	1	1	6		1			2	3	39	35.10	1	4	4	33	6	13.00		
219	Oakland	Oakland	Coles	114		10		2	12				3	2	5	121	108.90		14	12	113	8			
220	Mahomet	Mahomet	Champaign	44		15		3	18				1		1	61	54.90	2	13	15	58	3			
221	Leroy	Leroy	McLean	82		4		1	5				4	3	7	80	72.00	1	5	6	79	1	5.00		
222	Geo. Washington	Chillicothe	Peoria	120		11		2	13				1	1	2	131	117.90	3	7	10	107	24			
226	Pana	Pana	Christian	215		15		3	18	1			2	2	5	228	205.20	1	14	12	194	34	50.00		
227	Columbus	Columbus	Adams	27		2			2				2		2	27	24.30		2	2	23	4			
228	Lovington	Lovington	Moultrie	103		2			2	1			3	2	6	99	89.10	4	4	3	92	7			
229	Manchester	Manchester	Scott	51		6	1	2	9							60	54.00		8	7	57	3	40.00		
230	New Haven	New Haven	Gallatin	67		3			3							72	64.80	1	3	2	65	7			
231	Wyanet	Wyanet	Bureau	47						1			2		3	46	41.40	1	2	2	41	5			
232	Farmers	Brookport	Massac	72		2			2		6			1	7	67	60.30		4	2	59	8			
233	Blandinsville	Blandinsville	McDonough	100		4		1	5	1					1	104	93.60		6	5	96	8			
234	DuQuoin	DuQuoin	Perry	114		7	1	1	9		1				1	122	109.80	2	9	7	104	18			
235	Dallas City	Dallas City	Hancock	88		2		3	5		1		2	1	4	89	80.10	1	4	3	77	12			

236	Charter Oak. ...	Litchfield.. . ..	Montgom'y.	100	1	1	1	2	5	...	6	...	6	1	13	92	82.80	1	1	...	76	16	23.00				
237	Cairo.....	Cairo.....	Alexander..	212	...	10	...	6	16	...	...	...	6	9	15	213	191.70	4	7	7	166	47	212.25	96.42			
238	Black Hawk.....	Hamilton.....	Hancock ...	64	...	6	1	3	10	...	...	...	2	1	3	71	63.90	1	9	7	65	6					
239	Mt. Carmel.....	Mt. Carmel.....	Wabash	183	...	13	...	3	16	...	...	...	1	5	6	193	173.70	10	16	14	168	25	50.50				
240	Western Star....	Champaign	Champaign.	384	...	26	...	8	34	...	...	...	5	3	8	410	369.00	2	33	28	367	43	64.70				
241	Shekinah.....	Carbondale	Jackson.....	181	1	11	2	5	19	...	6	...	5	2	13	187	168.30	1	11	12	152	35	10.00	15.00			
243	Galva.....	Galva.....	Henry	138	...	3	...	1	4	...	...	...	4	4	8	134	119.70	1	1	3	119	15					
244	Horicon	Rochelle.....	Ogle	115	...	5	1	3	9	...	...	...	1	2	3	121	108.90	1	4	4	107	14					
245	Greenville.....	Greenville.....	Bond.....	106	1	12	3	5	21	...	...	...	2	3	5	122	109.80	1	12	10	98	24	115.00	10.00	10.00		
246	El Paso.....	El Paso.....	Woodford ..	122	...	12	...	4	16	...	...	...	3	2	5	133	119.70	...	17	13	125	8					
247	Rob Morris.....	Minonk..	Woodford ..	72	...	6	...	1	7	...	1	...	1	2	4	75	67.50	4	6	6	66	9	25.00				
248	Golden Gate.....	Prairie City....	McDonough	64	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	..	...	...	66	59.40	...	1	2	49	17					
249	Hibbard.....	Brighton.....	Macoupin ..	44	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	44	39.60	1	3	2	36	8					
250	Robinson	Robinson.....	Crawford...	140	...	3	3	4	10	...	...	...	6	1	7	143	128.70	2	4	4	107	36		29.50			
251	Heyworth.....	Heyworth	McLean	98	...	7	1	1	9	...	...	...	..	..	...	107	96 30	...	7	7	95	12					
252	Aledo.....	Aledo.....	Mercer.....	143	...	7	...	1	8	...	4	...	5	2	11	140	126 00	...	8	9	128	12					
253	Avon Harmony ..	Avon...	Fulton.....	44	...	5	...	1	6	...	...	...	..	1	1	49	44.10	.	6	7	46	3					
254	Aurora.....	Aurora.....	Kane.....	331	...	28	...	9	37	...	...	...	5	6	11	357	320.40	2	25	24	308	49	109.50	29.50			
255	Donnelson.....	Donnelson.....	Montgom'y.	45	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	..	2	2	44	39.60	3	...	...	41	3	26.75				
257	Warsaw	Warsaw	Hancock....	64	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	1	1	64	57.60	...	3	3	50	14		10.00	5.00		
260	Mattoon.....	Mattoon	Coles	290	...	16	1	2	19	...	...	...	5	4	9	300	270.00	6	17	13	240	60	226.05				
261	Amon	DeWitt.....	DeWitt.....	43	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	..	..	2	43	38.70	...	1	2	41	2					
262	Channahon.....	Channahon	Will	40	...	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	..	2	3	39	35.10	...	3	2	34	5					
263	Illinois.....	Peoria	Peoria	428	...	12	4	2	18	...	6	...	5	6	17	429	386.10	8	12	12	374	55					
264	Franklin Grove..	Franklin Grove	Lee.....	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	4	29	26.10	...	...	...	25	4					
265	Vermilion.....	Indianola.....	Vermilion..	49	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	1	52	46.80	...	2	4	46	6	25.00				
266	Kingston	Fairweather...	Adams.....	56	...	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	2	56	50.40	2	3	3	50	6					
267	La Prairie.....	Golden	Adams.....	47	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	48	43.20	1	3	2	44	4	16.00				
268	Paris.....	Paris.....	Edgar.....	211	...	7	...	3	10	...	1	...	2	4	7	214	192.60	...	9	8	176	38	10.00	21.67			
269	Wheaton.....	Wheaton	DuPage.....	138	...	8	2	3	13	...	...	...	12	2	14	137	123.30	3	5	9	122	15	100.00		10.00		
270	Levi Lusk	Arlington	Bureau.....	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	27	24.30	...	2	...	20	7					
271	Blaney.....	Chicago.....	Cook	258	...	35	...	8	43	...	...	...	2	4	6	295	265.50	5	35	35	251	44	388.90	12.90			
272	Carmi..	Carmi	White	83	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	3	1	6	78	70.20	1	3	1	60	18					
273	Miners.....	Galena.....	Jo Daviess .	165	...	9	...	1	10	...	...	...	5	2	7	168	151.20	...	9	9	143	25					
274	Byron....	Byron.....	Ogle	73	...	5	1	2	8	...	...	...	2	1	3	78	70.20	1	9	5	68	10					
275	Milton.....	Pike.....	Pike.....	57	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	13	4	17	42	37.80	...	...	...	36	6					
276	Elizabeth.....	Elizabethtown.	Hardin.....	32	...	2	...	1	3	...	10	...	1	...	11	24	21.60	2	1	2	23	1					
277	Accordia.....	Chicago.....	Cook	188	...	9	...	...	9	...	...	...	5	2	7	190	171.00	7	6	12	183	7	162.50	55.00	5.00		
278	Jo Daviess.....	Warren.....	Jo Daviess..	145	...	4	...	2	6	...	...	...	1	3	4	147	132.30	1	5	5	123	24		30.00			
279	Neoga.....	Neoga.....	Cumberl'nd	106	...	6	...	...	6	...	2	...	1	1	4	108	97.20	...	7	6	93	15					
280	Kansas.....	Kansas.....	Edgar.....	64	2	12	...	2	16	...	3	...	..	1	4	76	68.40	...	14	12	73	3	25.00				
282	Brooklyn.....	Compton.....	Lee.....	68	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	68	61.20	2	1	1	63	5					
283	Meteor.....	Sandwich.....	DeKalb. ..	101	...	10	...	1	11	...	2	...	1	4	7	105	93.60	3	8	6	94	11					
285	Catlin.....	Catlin.....	Vermilion..	115	...	...	1	...	1	...	7	...	2	...	9	107	96.30	3	...	...	102	5					
286	Plymouth...	Plymouth	Hancock....	65	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	3	6	62	55.80	...	2	3	55	7					
287	De Soto.....	De Soto.....	Jackson.....	122	...	4	...	1	5	...	...	...	..	..	...	127	114.30	4	10	7	120	7					
288	Genoa.....	Genoa.....	DeKalb.....	105	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	1	3	103	92.70	1	1	...	89	14					
291	Wataga.....	Wataga.....	Knox	37	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	38	34.20	...	...	1	28	9					

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Lodge No.	Name	Postoffice	County	Membership 1911	Increase				Total Increase	Decrease				Total Decrease	Present Membership 1912	Dues 1912	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Membership residing in Illinois	Membership residing outside of Ill.	Contrib'd to Members, their widows and orphans	Contrib'd to those not Members	Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.	
					Add for error	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
292	Chenoa	Chenoa	McLean	99		2		4	6				1	2	3	102	91.80	2	2	1	96	6			
293	Prophetstown	Prophetstown	Whiteside	72		2			2					1	1	73	65.70		1		67	6	10.00		
294	Pontiac	Pontiac	Livingston	181		10		3	13				1	4	5	189	170.10	10	12	11	164	25	86.90		
295	Dills	West Point	Hancock	44		1			1			4		1	8	37	33.30		3	2	34	3			
296	Quincy	Quincy	Adams	204		12			12			6			13	203	182.70		18	14	161	42			
297	Benjamin	Camp Point	Adams	114		2		3	5				1	2	3	116	104.40		2	2	96	20	13.00		
298	Wauconda	Wauconda	Lake	54		1		2	3			1	1	2	4	53	47.70		1	1	49	4			
301	Hinckley	Hinckley	DeKalb	91		4			4				4		4	91	81.90		2	2	82	9			
302	Durand	Durand	Winnebago	63	1	2	1		4				1	3	4	63	56.70	1	2	2	54	9			
303	Raven	Oswego	Kendall	51		2		1	3				1	2	3	51	45.90		3	2	49	2			
305	Onarga	Onarga	Iroquois	75		3		1	4				2		2	77	69.30		2	2	73	4	18.00		
306	W. C. Hobbs	Eureka	Woodford	88		4		2	6				4	2	6	88	79.20	2	5	3	75	13			
307	T. J. Pickett	Bushnell	McDonough	110		1		2	3					4	4	109	98.10	1	6	1	96	13			
308	Ashlar	Chicago	Cook	683		53	4	1	58			2	10	4	16	725	652.50	9	49	53	628	97	384.65	75.80	
309	Harvard	Harvard	McHenry	163		10		1	11				1	3	4	170	153.00	2	12	13	140	30	85.50		
310	Dearborn	Chicago	Cook	749		33	4	6	43	1			11	14	26	766	689.40	9	36	33	697	69	215.00	37.45	
311	Kilwinning	Chicago	Cook	698		34	4	1	39			4	16	9	29	708	634.50	13	38	36	629	79	595.38		
312	Ionic	Decatur	Macon	484		38		4	42			3	5	10	18	508	454.50	6	40	38	440	68	496.23		
313	York	York	Clark	87		3			3			1	6	3	10	80	72.00	1	3	3	64	16	2.64		
314	Palatine	Palatine	Cook	94		6			6				1	2	3	97	87.30	2	4	6	88	9		7.50	
316	Abraham Jonas	Loda	Iroquois	39		2		2	4				1		1	42	37.80		4	2	40	2			
318	J. L. Anderson	Augusta	Hancock	96		1	1	3	5				1	1	2	99	89.10	1		1	89	10	44.92		
319	Doric	Moline	Rock Island	300		37		4	41			1	5	1	7	334	300.60	7	36	35	294	40	294.00		
320	Creston	Creston	Ogle	50		4	2		6			1	1	1	3	53	47.70			4	50	3			
321	Dunlap	Morrison	Whiteside	107		2		1	3				1	1	2	108	97.20		4	2	93	15			
322	Windsor	Windsor	Shelby	81		2		1	3			1	4	4	9	75	67.50	1	2	2	71	4	82.50		
323	Orient	Lisbon	Kendall	35									1	1	2	33	29.70		1		28	5			
325	Harrisburg	Harrisburg	Saline	167		8		3	11				5	2	7	171	153.90	11	12	10	160	11		34.93	25.00
327	Industry	Industry	McDonough	55		9			9			1	2	2	5	59	53.10		9	9	54	5			
330	Altona	Altona	Knox	52		1	1		2					1	1	53	47.70		3		44	9		5.00	
331	Mt. Erie	Mt. Erie	Wayne	37		2			2				2		2	37	33.30	1	3	2	37				
332	Tuscola	Tuscola	Douglas	128		4	2	2	8			1	2	2	5	131	117.90	2	5	5	119	12			
333	Tyrian	Springfield	Sangamon	236		9	2		11	3		1	4	5	13	134	210.60	4	14	10	204	30	261.35		
334	Sumner	Sumner	Lawrence	106		5			5				1	5	6	105	93.60		4	5	87	18	35.00		

335	Schiller	Peoria	Peoria	137		6			6				1	4	5	138	124.20		7	7	123	15	31.00							
336	New Columbia	Ganntown	Massac	72	2	4			6					2	2	76	67.50		4	4	69	7	25.00							
337	Oneida	Oneida	Knox	68		2			2					1	1	69	62.10		2	2	64	5								
339	Saline	Goreville	Johnson	55		3	1	3	7				5	1	6	56	50.40	1	5	3	55	1	27.90							
340	Kedron	Mt. Auburn	Christian	49		3		1	4							53	47.70		3	4	50	3								
341	Full Moon	Grafton	Jersey	66		4			4				3	1	4	66	59.40		3	3	55	11								
342	Summerfield	Summerfield	St. Clair	22		2			2							24	21.60		2	2	18	5								
344	Wenona	Wenona	Marshall	49		4		2	6	2					2	53	45.90		3	4	46	7								
345	Milledgeville	Milledgeville	Carroll	88		13		1	14				2	2	4	98	88.20	2	14	13	85	13								
346	N. D. Morse	Concord	Morgan	35		4			4							39	35.10		6	3	37	2								
347	Sidney	Sidney	Champaign	51		6			6				3	1	4	53	47.70	1	5	6	43	10								
348	Flat Rock	Flat Rock	Crawford	55		13			13	3	1		1	1	6	62	55.80		33	22	52	10		52.00						
349	Sublette	Sublette	Lee	27		3			3		1				1	29	26.10		3	3	26	3								
350	Fairview	Fairview	Fulton	60		3			3				2	1	3	60	54.00		1	2	58	2								
351	Tarbolton	Fairbury	Livingston	142		3		3	6				3	5	8	140	125.10		3	3	126	14	50.00							
352	Groveland	Morton	Tazewell	38		3		1	4					1	1	41	36.90		3	3	29	12								
353	Kinderhook	Kinderhook	Pike	42		4		1	5				1	1	2	45	40.50		7	9	37	8								
354	Ark and Anchor	Auburn	Sangamon	80		2			2		1		1	2	4	78	70.20	1	7	4	70	8	20.00							
355	Marine	Marine	Madison	45		3			3				2	1	3	45	40.50		3	3	28	17			10.00					
356	Hermitage	Albion	Edwards	75		4		1	5		1		2	1	4	76	68.40	1	6	5	63	13	20.00	5.00						
358	Orion	Union	McHenry	36		5			5				4		4	37	33.30			2	34	3								
359	Blackberry	Elburn	Kane	94		4			4				7		7	91	81.90	1	3	3	79	12	35.00							
360	Princeville	Princeville	Peoria	89		4			4	1	2		1	1	5	88	78.30		9	3	79	9								
361	Douglas	Mascoutah	St. Clair	42		6			6							48	43.20		2	6	44	4								
362	Noble	Noble	Richland	48		6	1		7				2	2	4	51	45.90	3	8	6	45	6								
363	Horeb	Elmwood	Peoria	84		9	1	1	11				2		2	93	83.70		8	8	84	9								
364	Tonica	Tonica	La Salle	62		5			5				2	1	3	64	57.60		3	3	57	7								
365	Bement	Bement	Piatt	96		3		1	4					1	1	99	89.10	1	2	1	92	7								
366	Arcola	Arcola	Douglas	130		2	2	4	8		1			1	2	136	122.40	1		2	130	6	97.79							
367	Oxford	New Windsor	Mercer	58		3			3				2	1	3	58	52.20		4	3	53	5								
368	Jefferson	Opdyke	Jefferson	38		7		1	8				2	1	3	43	38.70		7	7	42	1								
369	Newman	Newman	Douglas	91		8		1	9					3	3	97	87.30		10	8	83	14								
371	Livingston	Dwight	Livingston	94		3			3		2				2	95	85.50	1	3	3	83	12	36.00	10.00						
373	Chambersburg	Chambersburg	Pike	20		2			2				1		1	21	18.90			2	21									
374	Shabbona	Shabbona	DeKalb	69		2	1	1	4					1	1	72	64.80	3	3	2	66	6	9.15		10.00					
378	Aroma	Waldron	Kankakee	46		2	1		3							49	44.10	1	1	3	46	3								
379	Payson	Payson	Adams	89		3			3		1		1	2	4	88	79.20		3	3	73	15	72.00							
380	Liberty	Liberty	Adams	41		1			1					4	4	38	34.20		1	1	37	1								
382	Gill	Lynnville	Morgan	31		2			2					2	2	31	27.90		2	2	29	2								
383	LaMoille	La Moille	Bureau	61		4			4				2		2	63	56.70		3	4	58	5								
384	Waltham	Utica	La Salle	57		7			7		1				1	63	56.70		8	8	57	6								
385	Mississippi	Savanna	Carroll	164		15	1		16				4		4	176	158.40	5	14	13	145	31								
386	Bridgeport	Bridgeport	Lawrence	109	1	13	1	4	19		1		1	4	6	122	109.80	7	15	13	99	23	59.00							
388	El Dara	El Dara	Pike	45									1	1	2	43	38.70				39	4								
389	Kankakee	Kankakee	Kankakee	258		21	4	3	28		4		4	2	10	276	248.40	4	15	21	239	37								
390	Ashmore	Ashmore	Coles	65		7		2	9		3		3	1	7	67	60.30		7	6	65	2								
391	Tolono	Tolono	Champaign	99		5			5		2		2	3	7	97	87.30		5	5	83	14	100.00							
392	Oconee	Oconee	Shelby	45		2	1	1	4					1	1	48	43.20		1	1	40	8								

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393	Blair	Chicago	Cook	561		27			27		3		8	3	14	574	515.70	12	30	27	516	58	240.05	28.00	
394	Jerseyville	Jerseyville	Jersey	117		1		1	2				1	2	3	116	104.40	1	1	1	103	13			
396	Muddy Point	Trilla	Coles	34		2			2					1	1	35	31.50		1	2	34	1	16.75	5.70	
397	Shiloh	Troy Grove	La Salle	44		2			2				1	2	3	43	38.70		2	3	40	3			
398	Kinmundy	Kinmundy	Marion	100		2		3	10				4	2	6	104	93.60		3	5	97	3	20.00		
399	Buda	Buda	Bureau	44		3			3							47	42.30		1	3	41	6			7.05
401	Odell	Odell	Livingston	54		4			4		2				2	56	50.40		4	2	43	13	26.72		
402	Kishwaukee	Kingston	De Kalb	48		2		1	3					1	1	50	45.00		4	1	48	2			
403	Mason City	Mason City	Mason	117		10			10				4	1	5	122	109.80	3	6	6	107	15	82.58		
404	Batavia	Batavia	Kane	115		4		1	5				1	1	2	118	106.20	1	6	6	97	21	40.00		
405	Ramsey	Ramsey	Fayette	71							1			1	2	69	62.10	1			61	8	3.00	2.00	8.00
406	Bethalto	Bethalto	Madison	30		1			1					1	1	30	27.00				26	4			
408	Stratton	Vermilion	Edgar	425		44		1	45		2		10	8	20	69	62.10		1	1	60	9	25.00		
409	Thos. J. Turner	Chicago	Cook	70		1			1		1			1	2	456	404.10	11	49	38	415	35	553.34	43.00	10.00
410	Mithra	Chicago	Cook	163		11			11				2	1	3	171	153.90	2	9	11	166	5	25.00	12.50	7.50
411	Hesperia	Chicago	Cook	705		29	1		30		12		5	16	33	702	629.10	6	24	28	607	95	666.96	73.35	15.00
412	Bollen	Spring Hill	Whiteside	25												25	22.50		1	1	19	6			
414	Evening Star	Davis	Stephenson	41							1		1		2	39	35.10				31	8			
415	Lawn Ridge	Speer	Stark	40		8		1	9		1		2	1	4	45	40.50		7	7	41	4			
416	Paxton	Paxton	Ford	116		3		1	4		5		4	3	12	108	97.20		5	4	90	18	108.00		
417	Marseilles	Marseilles	La Salle	112		15			15					2	2	125	112.50	1	8	8	113	12	54.00	6.00	
418	Freeburg	Freeburg	St. Clair	42			1		1							43	38.70				42	1	16.00		
419	Reynoldsburg	Tunnell Hill	Johnson	32		2			2		1		1	1	3	31	27.90		3	2	28	3			
420	Oregon	Oregon	Ogle	164		5		3	8		2		3	3	8	164	147.60	1	6	5	150	14			
421	Washburn	Washburn	Woodford	54		17		1	18		1		1	3	5	67	60.30		12	15	61	6	9.81		
422	Landmark	Chicago	Cook	509		78	1	3	82		2		7	9	18	573	514.80	12	79	77	519	54	78.49	25.15	
423	Lanark	Lanark	Carroll	69				1	1							70	63.00	2			55	15	12.25		
424	Exeter	Exeter	Scott	31		1	1	1	3							34	30.60		3	1	31				5.00
426	Scottville	Scottville	Macoupin	75		6			6				1	3	4	77	69.30	2	5	6	70	7			
427	Red Bud	Red Bud	Randolph	32		3			3		1			1	2	33	29.70	1	5	4	28	5			
428	Sunbeam	Plano	Kendall	86		7			7				1	2	3	90	81.00	2	10	11	76	14			
429	Chebanse	Chebanse	Iroquois	52									2	2	4	48	42.20	2			44	4			
430	Kendrick	Mound	Brown	45		8			8							53	47.70		6	2	18	5			
431	Summit	Harristown	Macon	85		2			2		1			2	3	84	75.60		4	3	79	5	23.00		

432	Murrayville	Murrayville	Morgan	54		8		1	9				1	1	2	61	54.00	1	7	6	57	4	10.00							
433	Annawan	Atkinson	Henry	69		3			3				2		2	70	62.10		6	4	66	4								
434	Makanda	Makanda	Jackson	60		5	1		6		1		1		2	64	57.60	2	4	11	61	3	13.90	8.50						
436	Philo	Port Byron	Rock Island	69		2	2	1	5				4	1	5	69	62.10	2	8	6	66	3								
437	Chicago	Chicago	Cook	564		24		2	26				2	11	13	577	518.40	20	32	24	522	55	874.73	76.70	70.00					
440	Camargo	Camargo	Douglas	60		3		1	4		4			1	5	59	53.10		3	3	53	6	45.00							
441	Sparland	Sparland	Marshall	46		1			1				1		1	46	41.40		1	1	39	7								
442	Casey	Casey	Clark	100		3	1	1	5		2		4	4	10	95	85.50		4	4	77	18	560.00							
443	Hampshire	Hampshire	Kane	90		4		2	6				2	1	3	93	82.80		4	4	79	14								
444	Cave-in-Rock	Cave-in-Rock	Hardin	46		6	1		7		1		2	1	4	49	44.10	4	11	7	43	6	122.45							
445	Chesterfield	Chesterfield	Macoupin	44	3	5			8				5		5	47	42.30		5	5	40	7								
446	Watseka	Watseka	Iroquois	145		4	1	2	7				5	7	12	140	126.00		4	4	123	17								
447	S. D. Monroe	Birds	Lawrence	37	3	7		1	11		2		3		5	43	38.70	5	5	7	40	3	15.00							
448	Yates City	Yates City	Knox	63	1	1			2					1	1	64	67.60		1		59	5								
449	Mendon	Mendon City	Adams	59		1		2	3				1	1	2	60	54.00		2	1	47	13								
450	Loami	Loami	Sangamon	64		5		1	6					1	1	69	62.10		4	4	67	2	10.00							
451	Bromwell	Assumption	Christian	71		1		2	3				2	1	3	71	63.90	1	7	5	62	9	60.00	75.00						
453	New Hartford	New Hartford	Pike	42	1				1		2		1		3	40	36.00				34	6								
454	Maroa	Maroa	Macon	104		9	1	2	12				1	3	4	112	100.80	1	10	9	94	18	74.40							
455	Irving	Irving	Montgom'y	53		5			5	1			2		3	55	49.50		5	5	43	12								
456	Nokomis	Nokomis	Montgom'y	108		12		2	14				3	2	5	117	105.30	5	12	10	105	12								
458	Blazing Star	Crab Orchard	Williamson	19		6		17	23				1		1	41	36.90	5	6	6	41		2.06							
460	Jeffersonville	Jeffersonville	Wayne	47		3		1	4		4		1	1	6	45	40.50	1	2	2	42	3	8.00							
461	Plainview	Plainview	Macoupin	36		2			2					1	1	37	33.30		2	2	32	5								
462	Tremont	Tremont	Tazewell	42		2			2				2		2	42	37.80		2	2	39	3								
463	Palmyra	Palmyra	Macoupin	70		10		2	12				3	3	6	76	68.40		2	2	71	5								
464	Denver	Denver	Hancock	44									1		1	43	38.70				41	2								
465	Huntsville	Huntsville	Schuyler	41		3			3				2	4	6	38	34.20		3	3	36	2								
466	Cobden	Cobden	Union	59		4			4					1	1	62	55.80		3	3	58	4								
467	South Macon	Macon	Macon	98		2			2							100	90.00		1	2	88	12	18.00	5.00						
468	Cheney's Grove	Saybrook	McLean	49		9	1	1	11		2		2	2	6	54	48.60	1	14	12	48	6								
469	McLean	McLean	McLean	90		6			6				1	2	3	93	83.70	1	6	6	88	5								
470	Rantoul	Rantoul	Champaign	84		3		2	5		2		1		3	86	77.40		6	4	72	14	15.00							
471	Kendall	Yorkville	Kendall	94		4			4				3	1	4	94	83.70	1	3	4	83	11	75.00	15.00						
472	Amity	West Chicago	Du Page	126		10		1	11				3		3	134	120.60	1	17	12	119	15								
473	Gordon	Pocahontas	Bond	40		4			4				1		1	43	38.70	1	4	4	37	6								
474	Columbia	Columbia	Monroe	56		1			1					2	2	55	49.50	3	5	2	47	8	83.63							
475	Walshville	Walshville	Montgom'y	11		1			1				1		1	11	9.90		1	1	11		5.00							
476	Manito	Manito	Mason	41	1				1							42	37.80				40	2								
477	Rutland	Rutland	La Salle	59		6		2	8				1		1	66	58.50	1	10	7	60	6	30.00							
478	Pleiades	Chicago	Cook	861		74	3	13	90		12		25	14	51	900	810.00	18	63	63	803	97	1181.74	84.50	50.00					
479	Wyoming	Wyoming	Stark	107		1	1		2				1	3	4	105	94.50		2	1	94	11								
481	Momence	Momence	Kankakee	115		3		1	4		1		4	2	7	112	100.80		3	3	93	19	76.50	3.00						
482	Lexington	Lexington	McLean	68	1	1			2				2		2	68	61.20		3	2	59	9	42.50	10.00						
484	Edgewood	Edgewood	Effingham	52		4			4				1		1	55	49.50		4	4	51	4								
485	Xenia	Xenia	Clay	34		5		1	6		1		1	1	3	37	33.30		3	5	33	4								
486	Bowen	Bowen	Hancock	55		11		4	15				1	1	2	68	61.20		11	11	62	6								
487	Andrew Jackson	Corinth	Williamson	20		4		2	6							26	23.40	1	4	4	25	1								

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488	Clay City	Clay City	Clay	85	...	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	2	2	4	87	78.30	...	6	6	80	7			
489	Cooper	Willow Hill	Jasper	50	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	54	48.60	4	4	3	45	5			
490	Shannon	Shannon	Carroll	63	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	66	59.40	...	5	3	53	13			
491	Martin	East Dubuque	Jo Daviess	29	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	29.70	...	4	4	27	6			
492	Libertyville	Libertyville	Lake	154	...	5	...	2	7	...	...	...	4	1	5	156	140.40	8	3	5	139	17			
493	Tower Hill	Tower Hill	Shelby	69	...	...	1	...	1	...	4	...	1	1	6	64	57.60	...	...	...	59	5			
495	Stone Fort	Stone Fort	Saline	77	...	7	...	1	8	...	...	...	9	2	11	74	66.60	1	8	8	73	1	70.00		
496	Colchester	Colchester	McDonough	78	1	5	...	1	7	...	...	...	2	...	2	83	74.70	3	4	7	71	12			
497	Alma	Steeleville	Randolph	62	...	6	1	...	7	...	...	...	...	1	1	68	61.20	2	7	7	61	7	55.42		
498	Murphysboro	Murphysboro	Jackson	149	...	4	1	5	10	...	3	...	3	4	10	149	134.10	3	5	3	124	25	165.80		5.00
500	St. Paul	Springfield	Sangamon	277	...	27	3	7	37	...	...	...	4	4	8	306	273.60	6	29	28	269	37	53.80		
501	Stark	LaFayette	Stark	42	...	3	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	1	3	42	37.80	...	...	5	30	12			
502	Woodhull	Woodhull	Henry	58	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	3	57	51.30	...	3	3	36	21			
503	Odin	Odin	Marion	51	1	1	...	3	5	...	...	...	9	2	11	45	40.50	...	1	2	42	3			
504	East St. Louis	East St. Louis	St. Clair	340	...	24	1	3	28	...	2	...	4	5	11	357	321.30	8	23	29	299	58	216.25	15.00	50.00
505	Meridian Sun	Holcomb	Ogle	95	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	95	84.60	...	2	1	88	7	30.00		
506	O. H. Miner	Iroquois	Iroquois	76	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	7	3	16	65	58.50	1	7	7	58	7			
508	Home	Chicago	Cook	499	...	36	4	5	45	...	4	1	8	11	24	520	468.00	1	43	39	460	60	469.00	85.00	10.00
509	Parkersburg	Parkersburg	Richland	32	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	32	28.80	...	2	2	27	5			
510	J. D. Moody	Iuka	Marion	28	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	26.10	...	1	1	25	4			
512	Wade-Barney	Bloomington	Mc Lean	264	...	30	1	2	33	...	...	...	6	2	8	289	260.10	3	31	30	234	55	73.00	5.00	
514	Bradford	Bradford	Stark	45	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	41.40	...	...	...	46	...			
516	Andalusia	Andalusia	Rock Island	69	...	7	...	1	8	...	...	...	1	1	2	75	67.50	4	1	2	65	10	226.47		
517	Litchfield	Litchfield	Montgom'y.	86	1	6	2	2	11	...	...	...	5	1	6	91	81.90	...	5	6	75	16		3.00	
518	Abrah'm Lincoln	Kirkwood	Warren	68	...	9	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	1	1	76	68.40	1	11	9	67	9	5.00	5.00	
519	Roseville	Roseville	Warren	59	...	9	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	68	61.20	6	9	8	57	11			
520	Anna	Anna	Union	122	...	7	...	1	8	...	...	...	3	2	5	125	111.60	4	4	5	112	13	35.00		5.00
521	Illiopolis	Illiopolis	Sangamon	79	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	1	2	1	4	79	71.10	2	5	3	73	6			
522	Montor	Elgin	Kane	417	...	35	2	4	41	...	6	...	11	8	25	433	388.80	1	31	33	384	49	146.75	25.00	
523	Chatham	Chatham	Sangamon	71	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	75	67.50	...	7	5	66	9			
524	Evans	Evanston	Cook	480	...	16	1	5	22	...	10	...	20	7	37	465	418.50	4	18	18	420	45	120.00	31.50	
526	Covenant	Chicago	Cook	947	...	49	7	3	59	...	6	...	13	16	35	971	873.90	9	50	52	866	105	800.30	72.35	
527	Rossville	Rossville	Vermilion	127	...	7	...	2	9	...	1	...	5	2	8	128	115.20	1	7	9	120	8			

528	Minooka	Minooka	Grundy	55		3		1	4				1		1	58	52.20		4	3	53	5							
529	Adams	Plainville	Adams	34		1			1				1	1	2	33	29.70		1	1	29	4							
530	Maquon	Maquon	Knox	49		3		1	4		6			2	8	45	40.50		8	4	40	5							
531	Ashton	Ashton	Lee	70		4		4	8				1		1	77	69.30	3	8	5	74	3							
532	Seneca	Seneca	La Salle	53		3			3		2		2		4	52	46.80		7	4	46	6							
533	Altamont	Altamont	Effingham	42		8			8				2		2	48	43.20	2	3	5	46	2							
534	Cuba	Cuba	Fulton	75		3	1		4		3		1		4	75	67.50	2	3	3	71	4							
535	Sherman	Orion	Henry	64		3			3				1	1	2	65	58.50		3	3	51	14							
536	Plainfield	Plainfield	Will	117		8		1	9				2	1	3	123	110.70	3	9	8	120	3							
537	J. R. Gorin	Sadorus	Champaign	50		4			4				1		1	53	47.70		4	4	50	3							
538	Lockport	Lockport	Will	131		7			7				6	4	10	128	115.20	1	10	7	112	16							
539	Chatsworth	Chatsworth	Livingston	34		4	1	2	7							41	36.90		5	4	38	3							
540	Oak Park	Oak Park	Cook	558		45	1	25	71		9		7	5	21	608	547.20	1	51	44	591	17	380.39						
541	Stewardson	Stewardson	Shelby	22		1			1					1	1	22	19.80		1	1	21	1							
542	Towanda	Towanda	McLean	26		5		2	7							33	29.70		10	4	27	6							
543	Cordova	Cordova	Rock Island	26									1	1	2	24	21.60				21	3							
544	Virginia	Virginia	Cass	92		10	2	1	13		2		2	1	5	100	90.00	1	6	9	93	7							
547	Valley	Coal Valley	Rock Island	61		1			1		2		1	1	4	58	52.20		2	2	49	9							
550	Sharon	Tiskilwa	Bureau	74		3			3				2	1	3	74	66.60		2	1	67	7		15.00					
552	Long Point	Long Point	Livingston	19	1	5		1	7		1				1	25	22.50		5	5	22	3							
554	Plum River	Stockton	Jo Daviess	136		13		1	14				3	3	6	144	129.60	1	14	14	126	18	95.00						
555	Humboldt	Ottawa	La Salle	147		10		3	13				2	1	3	157	141.30	3	6	8	144	13							
556	Dawson	Dawson	Sangamon	59									8	1	9	50	44.10				45	5							
557	Lessing	Chicago	Cook	220		15			15		1	1		5	7	228	205.20	3	13	15	215	13	120.00	65.00					
558	Leland	Leland	La Salle	46		1			1							47	42.30		2	1	40	7							
559	Thomson	Thomson	Carroll	32		1			1		2				2	31	27.90		1		28	3							
560	Madison	New Douglas	Madison	33		1			1							34	30.60		1	1	31	3	25.00						
562	Trinity	Mound City	Pulaski	108		7		1	8					1	1	115	103.50		9	6	105	10							
564	Winslow	Winslow	Stephenson	54		1		1	2				2		2	54	48.60		4	1	47	7							
565	Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill	Pike	34		4		2	6		2	1		1	4	36	32.40		2	4	35	1							
566	Albany	Albany	Whiteside	83		2			2		1		1	2	4	81	72.00	1	1	2	65	16	12.00						
567	Frankfort	West Frankfort	Franklin	57		9			9				1		1	65	58.50	10	9	9	62	3	25.00						
569	Time	Time	Pike	30												30	27.00				27	3							
570	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Morgan	162	1	11		5	17		1		4	3	8	171	153.90	2	12	12	139	32	4.33						
572	Bardolph	Bardolph	McDonough	39				1	1		2		2	1	5	35	31.50	1			32	3							
573	Gardner	Gardner	Grundy	99		9			9		2		9		11	97	87.30	2	7	7	93	4							
574	Pera	Ludlow	Champaign	45		2	1		3				2	1	3	45	40.50		3	2	44	1							
575	Capron	Capron	Boone	80		2			2							82	73.80		2	2	70	12							
576	O'Fallon	O'Fallon	St. Clair	65		2			2				3		3	64	57.60	1	2	3	60	4							
577	Viola	Viola	Mercer	65			1		1		1				1	65	58.50		1		59	6		4.50					
578	Prairie City	Montrose	Effingham	41		1			1				1	1	2	40	36.00	1	2	2	35	5	75.00						
580	Hazel Dell	Hazel Dell	Cumberl'nd	40		1			1				1	1	2	39	35.10	1		1	35	4	20.00						
581	Dongola	Dongola	Union	43		7		1	8				3		3	48	43.20	2	10	8	45	3							
582	Shirley	Shirley	McLean	51		3			3				1	1	2	52	46.80	1	6	3	49	3							
583	Highland	Highland	Madison	59		3		2	5							64	57.60	1	4	4	51	13							
584	Vesper	Galesburg	Knox	199		13		2	15				3	5	8	206	185.40		20	11	170	36	60.00						
585	Fisher	Grove City	Christian	37		1		1	2				4		4	35	31.50		2	1	34	1							
587	Princeton	Princeton	Bureau	193		5	3	6	14		2		4	5	11	196	176.40	3	4	1	170	26	45.00						

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Lodge No.	Name	Postoffice	County	Membership 1911	Increase				Total Increase	Decrease				Total Decrease	Present Membership 1912	Dues 1912	Rejections	Initiations	Passed	Membership residing in Illinois	Membership residing outside of Ill.	Contrib'd to Members, their widows and orphans	Contrib'd to those not Members	Contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home.	
					Add for error	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
588	Troy	Troy	Madison	31	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	33	29.70	3	3	3	26	7			
590	Fairmount	Fairmount	Vermilion	72	...	1	2	...	3	...	6	...	...	1	7	68	61.20	2	2	1	61	7			
591	Gilman	Gilman	Iroquois	87	...	10	...	1	11	...	...	...	4	...	4	94	84.60	...	8	7	79	15			
592	Fieldon	Fieldon	Jersey	26	...	3	2	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	28	25.20	1	2	3	27	1		7.50	
595	Miles Hart	Gays	Moultrie	58	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	58	52.20	...	2	2	52	6			
600	Cerro Gordo	Cerro Gordo	Piatt	107	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	1	1	5	109	98.10	5	5	6	99	10			
601	Farina	Farina	Fayette	59	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	3	57	51.30	...	2	1	55	2			
602	Watson	Watson	Effingham	32	...	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	31.50	...	4	3	34	1			
603	Clark	Martinsville	Clark	120	1	14	1	1	17	...	...	...	2	4	6	131	117.90	...	12	13	112	19	240.00	100.00	
604	Hebron	Hebron	McHenry	79	...	9	...	...	9	...	7	...	4	...	11	77	69.30	...	8	9	72	5			
607	Streator	Streator	La Salle	245	...	15	3	...	18	...	...	...	6	3	9	254	228.60	1	15	17	236	18			
608	Piper	Piper City	Ford	83	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	3	1	4	81	72.90	...	...	...	58	23		24.35	
609	Sheldon	Sheldon	Iroquois	90	...	14	1	1	16	...	...	...	2	5	7	99	89.10	3	12	13	92	7	18.00		
610	Union Park	Chicago	Cook	1048	...	56	3	2	61	...	7	...	10	18	35	1074	963.00	17	60	59	961	113	895.00		25.00
611	Lincoln Park	Chicago	Cook	669	...	27	1	4	32	...	8	...	11	5	24	677	609.30	...	34	33	588	89	400.26	40.95	
612	Rock River	Sterling	Whiteside	277	...	22	2	6	30	...	6	...	37	3	46	261	234.90	...	28	22	239	22	47.00	18.00	
613	Patoka	Patoka	Marion	64	...	4	2	...	6	...	...	...	2	1	3	67	60.30	...	4	4	60	7	59.00		
614	Forrest	Forrest	Livingston	72	...	4	...	4	8	...	...	...	4	...	4	76	68.40	...	1	3	49	27			
616	Wadley	Franklin	Morgan	60	...	8	...	...	8	...	2	...	...	1	3	65	58.50	1	12	10	56	9	20.47		
617	Good Hope	Good Hope	McDonough	65	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	66	59.40	1	1	...	56	10			
618	Basco	Basco	Hancock	16	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	16.20	...	2	2	16	2			
620	New Hope	Conn	Clark	25	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	25	22.50	...	2	2	20	5			
622	Hopedale	Hopedale	Tazewell	56	...	6	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	1	2	60	54.00	1	6	6	54	6	1.25		
623	Locust	Owaneco	Christian	29	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	1	30	27.00	1	1	1	29	1			
627	Union	Lick Creek	Union	35	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	34	30.60	...	2	...	32	2			
630	Tuscan	Walpole	Hamilton	61	...	9	...	2	11	...	...	...	...	3	3	69	62.10	...	6	7	64	5	125.00	25.00	
631	Norton	Cabery	Ford	51	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	53	47.70	...	3	2	46	7			
632	Ridge Farm	Ridge Farm	Vermillion	98	...	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	4	...	4	97	87.30	...	2	2	84	13			
633	E. F. W. Ellis	Rockford	Winnebago	185	...	17	1	...	18	...	1	...	4	2	7	196	176.40	1	20	19	169	27	85.00		10.00
634	Buckley	Buckley	Iroquois	17	...	8	...	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	23.40	...	8	8	25	1			
635	Rochester	Rochester	Sangamon	41	...	11	...	...	11	...	...	...	2	1	3	49	44.10	2	12	11	44	5			
636	Peotone	Peotone	Will	87	...	4	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	2	3	88	79.20	1	4	4	83	5			
639	Keystone	Chicago	Cook	488	...	80	...	1	81	...	4	...	6	11	21	548	493.20	30	68	72	518	30	315.00	7.50	
641	Comet	Minier	Tazewell	67	...	5	...	3	8	...	...	...	...	2	2	73	65.70	...	4	5	69	4			

642	Apollo	Chicago	Cook	612		25	4	1	30		14		9	4	27	615	553.50	5	33	28	579	36	403.50	145.00		
643	D. C. Cregier	Chicago	Cook	624		51		1	52		5		3	13	21	655	589.50	9	45	51	610	45	227.65	83.70		
644	Oblong City	Oblong	Crawford	107		13		1	14		2		2	1	5	116	104.40	2	10	12	96	20	94.78			
645	San Jose	San Jose	Mason	34		2			2				1	1	2	34	30.60	1	3	2	22	12				
646	Somonauk	Somonauk	De Kalb	100		11		1	12		7		3		10	102	91.80		13	11	97	5				
647	Blueville	Edinburg	Christian	73		7			7				1		1	79	71.10	2	6	7	79					
648	Camden	Camden	Schuyler	85		1	1		2				15	1	16	71	63.90				68	3		25.00		
651	Atwood	Atwood	Piatt	81		6		3	9	1			3		4	86	77.40		9	5	76	10	7.50			
653	Greenview	Menard		87		6			6				5		5	88	79.20	1	6	5	82	6				5.00
655	Yorktown	Tampico	Whiteside	91		8		2	10				5	2	7	94	84.60		11	8	78	16	30.00			
656	Mozart	Bloomington	McLean	87		3	2	1	6		3			1	4	89	80.10	1	3	3	80	9				
657	Lafayette	Grand Tower	Jackson	23		4		1	5		1		1		2	26	23.40	1	4	4	23	3	55.00			
658	Rock Island	Rock Island	Rock Island	271		18		3	21		4		2		9	283	254.70	2	15	17	245	38	50.00	25.00		
659	Lambert	Quincy	Adams	288		24		2	26		4		4	2	10	304	273.60	5	21	21	255	49	67.60	23.00		
660	Grand Chain	New Gr'd Chain	Pulaski	31	1	2			3		1		1	2	4	30	27.00		2	2	26	4				
662	South Park	Chicago	Cook	410		19	1	4	24		13		11	3	27	407	366.30	1	19	24	350	57	154.30	20.00	10.00	
664	Mayo	Winterrowd	Effingham	27				17	17							44	39.60		1		39	5				
665	Beecher City	Beecher City	Effingham	33		1	1		2							35	31.50		1	1	32	3				
666	Crawford	Eaton	Crawford	69		3			3							72	64.80		3	3	59	13				
667	Erie	Erie	Whiteside	51		2			2		1		1	1	3	50	45.00		3	2	49	1				
668	Burnt Prairie	Burnt Prairie	White	57		4			4		1		1	1	3	58	52.20	3	4	4	55	3	9.00			
669	Herder	Chicago	Cook	277		9		1	10		1		1	5	7	280	252.00	5	8	9	265	15	169.00	78.50		
670	Fillmore	Fillmore	Montgom'y	64		6		1	7		3			1	4	67	60.30		8	8	59	8	18.00			
672	Eddyville	Eddyville	Pope	31									1		1	30	27.00		1		26	4				
673	Normal	Normal	McLean	93		2			2				2	1	3	92	82.80		4	3	75	17				
674	Waldeck	Chicago	Cook	283		22		1	23					8	8	298	268.20	6	27	22	281	17	50.00	12.00	1.00	
675	Pawnee	Pawnee	Sangamon	107		23		1	24	1			1	1	3	128	115.20	3	21	18	117	11	16.25	10.00		
676	A. O. Fay	Highland Park	Lake	260		34	1	6	41		1		2		3	298	268.20	8	27	29	247	51	173.00			
677	Enfield	Enfield	White	70		4		1	5					1	1	74	66.60		4	5	63	11	55.00			
679	Illinois City	Illinois City	Rock Island	93		9			9				4		4	98	88.20	2	6	9	83	15				
680	Clement	Cleveland	Henry	61		4		1	5					1	1	65	57.60		5	5	57	8	5.00			
681	Morrisonville	Morrisonville	Christian	83		5		1	6				2	4	6	83	73.80	2	3	4	74	9	15.00			
682	Blue Mound	Blue Mound	Macon	96		1		1	2							98	88.20	1	4	3	93	5	10.00			
683	Burnside	Burnside	Hancock	81			1		1				2	1	3	79	71.10		2		66	13				
684	Galatia	Galatia	Saline	54						1					1	53	47.70		2	1	49	4				
685	Rio	Rio	Knox	98	1		2		3		6		2		8	93	83.70	1	1	1	76	17	65.00			
686	Garfield	Chicago	Cook	853		67	2	10	79		6		17	10	33	899	808.20	7	73	72	815	84	1040.00	114.90	269.70	
687	Orangeville	Orangeville	Stephenson	58		3			3					1	1	60	54.00	1	3	2	52	8	10.00			
688	Clifton	Clifton	Iroquois	58	1	5		1	7				1	2	3	62	55.80	1	5	5	58	4				
690	Englewood	Chicago	Cook	899		39	5	10	54		2		5	10	17	936	841.50	5	36	40	789	147	269.95	45.00		
691	Iola	Iola	Clay	28	1				1				2		2	27	24.30				20	7				
692	Raymond	Raymond	Montgom'y	60		6			6							66	59.40		6	6	63	3				
693	Herrin's Prairie	Herrin	Williamson	156	1	20		2	23				4	6	10	169	152.10	8	21	19	161	8	113.35	103.39		
695	Shiloh Hill	Campbell Hill	Jackson	35		2			2							37	33.30		3	2	27	10				
696	Belle Rive	Belle Rive	Jefferson	54		1		1	2				2		2	54	48.60		3	2	50	4	30.00			
697	Richard Cole	Chicago	Cook	508		37		2	39		4		12	3	19	528	475.20	12	39	41	480	48	413.17	32.90		
698	Hutton	Diona	Coles	50		3			3					1	1	52	46.80		4	3	49	3				
700	Pleasant Plains	Pleasant Plains	Sangamon	66		4			4				2		2	68	60.30	1	3	5	64	4				

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					Add for error.	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error.	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
701	Temple Hill	Temple Hill	Pope	35	1	3	1	...	5	...	4	1	1	...	6	34	30.60	...	4	3	33	1	10.00		
702	Alexandria	Alexis	Warren	82	1	8	...	...	9	...	4	...	1	4	9	82	73.80	1	10	9	78	4			
704	Braidwood	Braidwood	Will	227	...	9	...	4	13	1	4	...	1	7	13	227	204.30	3	10	9	194	33			
705	Ewing	Ewing	Franklin	39	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	3	37	33.30	...	3	...	33	4			
706	Joppa	Cowden	Shelby	90	...	3	2	1	6	...	9	...	...	...	9	87	78.30	2	2	3	78	9	28.50		
709	Star	Hoopeston	Vermilion	180	1	5	...	2	8	...	1	...	5	1	7	181	162.90	2	5	3	167	14			
710	Farmer City	Farmer City	DeWitt	84	...	3	...	1	4	...	...	...	3	4	7	81	72.90	...	6	2	72	9	45.00	5.00	
711	Providence	Chicago	Cook	242	...	33	...	...	33	...	5	...	6	2	13	262	235.80	6	43	30	254	8	40.00		
712	Collinsville	Collinsville	Madison	109	...	10	2	3	15	2	1	1	3	2	9	115	103.50	...	9	8	103	12			
713	Johnsonville	Johnsonville	Wayne	68	...	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	71	63.90	...	2	2	59	12			
714	Collison	Collison	Vermilion	84	...	5	...	1	6	3	4	...	2	3	12	78	70.20	...	6	5	74	4	30.00		
715	Elvaston	Elvaston	Hancock	23	...	4	...	1	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	27	24.30	...	3	...	21	6	25.00		
716	Calumet	Blue Island	Cook	282	...	27	...	2	29	...	1	...	3	8	12	299	269.10	13	32	30	275	24	76.50		
717	Arcana	Chicago	Cook	670	...	49	3	3	55	...	5	...	8	10	23	702	631.80	25	40	40	643	59	148.05	41.00	40.00
718	May	Norris City	White	31	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	33	29.70	1	4	3	29	4			
719	Chapel Hill	Wolf Creek	Williamson	28	...	2	...	1	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	30	27.00	...	3	1	28	2	25.00		
721	Rome	Dix	Jefferson	65	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	27	...	27	40	36.00	...	2	2	36	4			
722	Walnut	Walnut	Bureau	100	...	6	...	1	7	...	...	...	6	1	7	100	90.00	...	8	4	90	10			
723	Omaha	Omaha	Gallatin	30	1	7	3	1	12	...	5	...	3	...	8	34	30.60	...	9	7	31	3			
724	Chandlerville	Chandlerville	Cass	83	...	7	...	1	8	...	1	...	1	...	2	89	80.10	1	8	6	82	6	41.60		
725	Rankin	Rankin	Vermilion	67	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	2	3	69	62.10	...	7	6	66	3	25.00		
726	Golden Rule	Chicago	Cook	905	...	32	6	4	42	...	9	...	16	13	38	909	818.10	6	30	31	768	141	714.28	135.45	
727	Raritan	Raritan	Henderson	35	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	3	35	31.50	...	1	3	29	6			
728	Waterman	Waterman	DeKalb	34	...	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	3	1	4	34	30.60	...	4	4	23	11			
729	Lake Creek	Lake Creek	Williamson	75	...	6	1	1	8	...	1	...	1	3	5	78	70.20	...	5	5	73	5			
730	Eldorado	Eldorado	Saline	72	2	15	...	3	20	...	...	...	1	1	2	90	81.00	11	15	16	86	4	87.35	2.00	
731	Harbor	Chicago	Cook	457	...	22	...	5	27	...	...	...	4	9	13	471	423.90	4	26	25	392	79	69.90		
732	Carman	Carman	Henderson	23	1	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	23.40	...	1	1	26	...			
733	Gibson	Gibson City	Ford	120	...	13	1	2	16	...	1	...	2	1	4	132	118.80	...	15	13	123	9	157.41	5.00	
734	Morning Star	Canton	Fulton	261	...	14	3	3	20	...	5	1	4	8	18	263	236.70	4	13	11	240	23	42.00		
735	Sheridan	Sheridan	La Salle	86	...	2	...	2	4	...	...	...	5	2	7	83	74.70	...	3	2	77	6			
737	Arrowsmith	Arrowsmith	McLean	36	...	4	...	1	5	...	...	...	1	2	3	38	34.20	...	6	4	31	7			
738	Saunemin	Saunemin	Livingston	70	...	7	...	...	7	...	...	...	3	2	5	72	64.80	...	7	9	61	11	75.00		
739	Lakeside	Chicago	Cook	394	...	25	3	1	29	...	...	...	7	5	12	411	369.90	3	22	26	350	61	151.06	25.00	10.00

741	New Holland	New Holland	Logan	31		2			2		1		1	1	3	30	27.00		3	2	30									
742	Danvers	Danvers	McLean	57		2	1	1	4				3	1	4	57	51.30		2	2	51	6								
743	Scottland	Scottland	Edgar	45		1			1					3	3	43	37.80		3	1	33	16	10.00							
744	Goode	Brayfield	Franklin	82		8		2	10	1			2	1	4	88	79.20	9	9	7	82	6								
745	Winnebago	Winnebago	Winnebago	56	1	2			3		1				1	58	52.20		2	2	55	3								
746	Weldon	Weldon	DeWitt	54		2		1	3							57	51.30		5	2	53	4								
747	Centennial	Philo	Champaign	50		6		2	8				1	1	2	56	50.40		3	6	47	9								
748	Alta	Alta	Peoria	67		8			8				2		2	73	65.70	1	5	5	61	12								
749	Akin	Thompsonville	Franklin	60	6	5			11					1	1	70	63.00	1	9	5	67	3								
750	Lyndon	Lyndon	Whiteside	55	2	1	1		4		6		4		10	49	44.10		2	2	40	9								
751	Lounsbury	Barrington	Cook	79		5			5					1	1	83	74.70	1	3	2	77	6								
752	Allendale	Allendale	Wabash	46		1			1	1	2		3		6	41	36.90		1	1	41		119.25							
754	Ogden	Ogden	Champaign	115		20	1		21				2	1	3	133	119.70	3	16	14	115	18								
755	Pre-emption	Pre-emption	Mercer	80									2		2	78	70.20	1	1	1	69	9								
756	Hardinsville	Hardinsville	Crawford	84		16			16				3	1	4	96	86.40	3	16	20	80	16	19.65	25.00						
757	Verona	Verona	Grundy	72		1		1	2				2	2	4	70	63.00		3	1	62	8								
758	Mystic Star	Chicago	Cook	768		97	2	2	101		7		4	6	17	852	766.80	25	109	110	753	99	633.40							
759	Orel	Wayne City	Wayne	74	1	2		1	4				3	1	4	74	66.60	2	4	2	63	11								
761	Sibley	Sibley	Ford	38		5		2	7							45	40.50		1	6	35	10								
762	Van Meter	Athens	Menard	93		4		1	5				3	1	4	94	84.60	4	5	5	85	9								
763	Crete	Crete	Will	69		10		2	12		2				2	79	70.20	2	5	8	67	12	25.00							
764	Sullivan	Sullivan	Moultrie	179		5	1	1	7				4	1	5	181	162.90	6	7	6	155	26								
765	Palace	Chicago	Cook	316		22	5	1	28				5	2	7	337	302.40	3	22	19	283	54	525.00							
766	Littleton	Littleton	Schuyler	33							3		3		6	27	24.30		2	1	25	2								
767	Triluminar	Chicago	Cook	408		28	1		29				6	3	9	428	385.20	4	26	24	393	35	90.00		7.50					
768	Mizpah	Chicago	Cook	566	1	52	11	1	65		3		15	7	25	606	543.60	6	43	50	533	73	62.76	63.30	25.00					
769	St. Elmo	St. Elmo	Fayette	87		1		2	3				1	1	2	88	74.70	1		1	81	7	18.30							
770	La Grange	La Grange	Cook	331		9		8	17		1		58	5	64	284	255.60	4	10	9	253	31	65.10		25.00					
771	Bay City	Bay City	Pope	26							4				4	22	19.80				20	2	20.00							
772	New Burnside	New Burnside	Johnson	29		1		1	2				1	1	2	29	26.10		4	1	27	2								
773	Mansfield	Mansfield	Piatt	51		3			3				4	2	6	48	43.20		1	1	39	9								
774	Lake View	Chicago	Cook	711	1	73	2	6	82		3		14	6	23	770	693.00	13	78	79	703	67	418.97							
776	Grand Crossing	Chicago	Cook	453		48	3	5	56		10		3	8	21	488	439.20	6	53	49	452	36	381.00	55.65						
777	Ravenswood	Chicago	Cook	555		28	6	11	45				53	4	57	543	488.70	5	32	29	473	70	178.92							
778	Gurney	Grantsburg	Pope	54	1	4			5		9		1		10	49	44.10		4	4	46	3								
779	Wright's Grove	Chicago	Cook	492		51	1	5	57		2		12	2	16	533	479.70	7	44	53	484	49	150.00	80.00	20.00					
780	Siloam	Chicago	Cook	501		37	2	3	42		7		11	3	21	525	471.60	3	41	39	468	57	481.97							
782	Potomac	Potomac	Vermilion	77	1	6			7				2		2	82	73.80	2	9	6	78	4								
783	Constantia	Chicago	Cook	293		17	2	1	20		2	1		5	8	305	274.50	9	23	21	269	36	100.00							
784	Beacon Light	Chicago	Cook	151		17		4	21	1	6		1	1	9	163	146.70		19	17	145	18		7.55						
786	Riverton Union	Riverton	Sangamon	90		1			1							91	81.90	2	1	2	86	5								
787	Morris	Waterloo	Monroe	87		6			6		2				2	91	81.90	3	8	8	77	14								
788	Lerna	Lerna	Coles	54		2	1		3				1	2	3	54	48.60		4	2	46	8								
789	Auburn Park	Chicago	Cook	500		49		6	55		2		15	8	25	530	477.00	10	44	49	510	20	385.20	33.75						
790	Pittsfield	Pittsfield	Pike	112		5		1	6				2	1	3	115	103.50	3	6	5	101	14								
791	Broadlands	Broadlands	Champaign	71		5		2	7				2		2	76	68.40	2	6	6	67	9		10.00	1.50					
792	Calhoun	Hardin	Calhoun	44		2	1		3			1	3		4	43	38.70		2	2	41	2								
793	A. T. Darrah	Victoria	Knox	43		2			2							45	40.50		2	1	41	4								

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					Add for error	Raised	Reinstated	Admitted		Ded. for error	Suspended	Expelled	Dimitted	Died											
794	Tadmor	Karber's Ridge	Hardin	26									5	5	23	361	324.90	5	30	40	322	39	112.50	58.95	
795	Myrtle	Chicago	Cook	329		44	1	10	55		13		5	5	23	361	324.90	5	30	40	322	39	112.50	58.95	
796	E. M. Husted	Roodhouse	Greene	74		14		3	17				1	4	5	86	77.40	2	12	14	75	11			
797	Normal Park	Chicago	Cook	677		37	1	10	48		8		13	10	31	694	624.60	3	40	38	595	99	136.50		10.00
798	Sidell	Sidell	Vermilion	59		8			8					1	1	66	59.40		8	8	62	4			
799	Colfax	McLean	Colfax	60		9	1		10				1		1	69	62.10	1	4	4	61	8			
800	Kenwood	Chicago	Cook	741		38	1	4	43		8		18	1	27	757	681.30		46	38	660	97	1136.25	87.05	
801	Sangamon	Fisher	Champaign	51		1			1							52	46.80		7	2	46	6			
802	Williamson	Carterville	Williamson	104		7		1	8				1		1	111	99.90	1	6	8	106	5	19.84		
803	Neponset	Neponset	Bureau	48		3			3					1	1	50	45.00	1	2	3	45	5			
804	Kensington	Chicago	Cook	301		22	3	4	29		2		1	4	7	323	290.70	6	26	21	284	39	388.48	15.05	15.00
805	S. M. Dalzell	Spring Valley	Bureau	126	1	14			15		3		2	1	6	135	121.50	4	15	11	128	7	16.00		
806	Nebo	Nebo	Pike	53		3		1	4				2	1	3	54	48.60	1	4	3	47	7			
807	Royal	Macedonia	Hamilton	36		10			10				1		1	45	40.50		6	7	45				
808	Cornland	Cornland	Logan	71		2			2				5		5	68	61.20	1	5	3	56	12			
809	Gillham	Woburn	Bond	41		3		1	4	1	2		1	1	5	40	36.00		10	7	39	1		5.00	
810	Tracy	Chicago	Cook	195		21		6	27		2			4	6	216	194.40	2	21	18	184	32	434.70	27.25	
811	Melvin	Melvin	Ford	58		4			4				2		2	61	54.90		5	4	52	9			
812	De Land	De Land	Piatt	30									1		1	29	26.10			1	26	3			
813	Humboldt Park	Chicago	Cook	598		52			52				4	6	10	641	576.90	11	53	54	583	58	388.00	45.00	
814	Ohio	Ohio	Bureau	21		1			1				2		2	20	18.00		1	1	20				
815	Lawn	Chicago	Cook	214		17		1	18		6		5	1	12	220	198.00	3	20	20	204	16	143.85	18.25	
816	Ridgeway	Ridgeway	Gallatin	43		4			4					2	2	45	40.50		7	4	42	3			
817	Creal Springs	Creal Springs	Williamson	77		2		3	5					1	1	81	72.90	1	2	2	71	10	5.00		
818	Ben Hur	Chicago	Cook	365		39		1	40			1	2	1	4	401	360.90	4	39	41	381	20		32.50	
819	Columbian	Chicago	Cook	462		54		1	55		2		23	1	26	491	441.90	15	50	56	462	29	90.00	25.00	20.00
820	Henderson	Kenney	DeWitt	62		3			3							65	58.50	2	2	3	58	7			
821	New Canton	New Canton	Pike	61		8			8					2	2	67	60.30	2	8	8	62	5			
822	Belknap	Belknap	Johnson	68		6			6	1					1	73	65.70		9	6	68	5	33.00		
823	Pearl	Pearl City	Stephenson	57	1	4			5				1	1	2	60	54.00		5	4	47	13	35.00		
824	Grove	Downers Grove	DuPage	167		20		1	21				3		3	185	166.50	3	20	22	158	27	9.00	15.00	
825	Arthur	Arthur	Douglas	76		7		3	10				2	1	3	83	74.70		10	7	73	10	25.00		
826	Mazon	Mazon	Grundy	83		7		2	9							92	82.80		7	7	83	9			
827	Sequoit	Antioch	Lake	76		1			1		2		1	1	4	73	65.70	1		1	69	4			

829	Edgar	Hume	Edgar	77	1	2		1	4				4		4	77	69.30		2	2	72	5	50.00					
830	Rockport	Rockport	Pike	56		9			9					2	2	63	56.70		13	9	52	11						
831	Findlay	Findlay	Shelby	89			1		1				5		5	85	76.50	1	1		74	11						
832	Harvey	Harvey	Cook	198		17		6	23					2	2	219	197.10	1	16	15	190	29	40.00	35.00				
833	Dean	Ava	Johnson	39									1		1	38	34.20	1	1		35	3						
834	Toledo	Toledo	Cumberl'nd	77		7			7				2		2	82	73.80		2	2	73	9						
835	Triple	Venice	Madison	80	1	3			4				2		2	82	73.80	1	3	3	60	22	6.00	102.55				
836	Windsor Park	Chicago	Cook	257		26		3	29		1		8	2	11	275	247.50	4	29	29	242	33						
837	Hindsboro	Hindsboro	Douglas	100		5		2	7		2		3	1	6	101	90.90	1	3	4	93	8		10.00				
838	Charity	Seaton	Mercer	45									1	1	2	43	38.70		1		35	8						
839	Berwyn	Berwyn	Cook	186		17		4	21		1		10		11	196	176.40	1	4	14	180	16						
840	Alto Pass	Alto Pass	Union	43		5		2	7				1		1	49	44.10	1	4	5	48	1						
841	Woodlawn Park	Chicago	Cook	588		46		10	56				11	7	18	626	563.40	3	38	47	541	85	263.50	55.25	25.00			
842	Fides	Chicago	Cook	181		14		4	18		1		3		4	195	175.50	5	19	20	156	39	53.75	16.55				
843	Park	Chicago	Cook	421		20	5	16	41		5		21	7	33	429	386.10	2	26	26	405	24	240.00					
845	Martinton	Martinton	Iroquois	56		1			1				10	1	11	46	41.40		2	2	36	10						
846	Bluffs	Bluffs	Scott	40		6		1	7					1	11	46	41.40	1	5	5	44	2						
847	Stronghurst	Stronghurst	Henderson	46		3	1		4							50	45.00		5	3	47	3						
848	London	London Mills	Fulton	38		5		1	6				1		1	43	38.70		2	5	39	4						
849	Palestine	Crawford	Crawford	78		5			5		1		2		3	80	72.00		2	3	69	11	25.09					
850	Austin	Chicago	Cook	610		48	1	16	65		3		10	3	16	659	593.10	6	53	51	613	46	220.45	100.00	50.00			
851	Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights	Cook	191	2	15		4	21				7	2	9	203	182.70	11	28	20	179	24	50.00	20.00				
852	Gothic	East St. Louis	St. Clair	261		21	1	12	34		7		3	2	12	283	254.70	11	28	19	238	45	71.00	10.00	20.00			
853	Latham	Latham	Logan	60	1			1	2							62	55.80				56	6						
854	Brighton Park	Chicago	Cook	220		39		1	40				1	3	4	256	230.40	17	38	38	240	16	195.98		50.00			
855	King Oscar	Chicago	Cook	532		46			46				13	2	15	563	504.90	3	53	44	527	36	152.40	50.00	10.00			
856	West Gate	Hamburg	Calhoun	46									2	1	3	43	38.70				34	9						
857	Boyd D	Kirkland	DeKalb	63		14			14		2				2	75	67.50		16	14	73	2						
858	Utica	Utica	LaSalle	31		3			3				2		2	32	28.80	1	1	2	30	2						
859	Apple River	Apple River	JoDaviess	47		4		1	5				1	1	2	50	45.00		2	3	49	1						
860	Metropolitan	Chicago	Cook	445		43		3	46		1		7	2	10	481	432.90	8	31	35	467	14	75.00	45.00	10.00			
861	Sorento	Sorento	Bond	12				1	1							13	11.70				13							
862	Riverside	Riverside	Cook	93	5	15		1	21				1		1	113	101.70	1	20	16	102	11		5.35	10.00			
863	St. Andrews	Chicago	Cook	399		42	2	3	47		8		7	2	17	429	386.10	6	43	43	399	30	80.00		10.00			
864	Olympia	Chicago	Cook	485		20	1	1	22		3		13	4	20	487	438.30	3	21	21	432	55	431.95	22.25				
865	St. Cecilia	Chicago	Cook	294		40		1	41				4	3	7	328	295.20	18	29	34	298	30	220.00	45.00				
866	West Salem	West Salem	Edwards	54		2		1	3				2		2	55	49.50		1	1	48	7						
867	Chadwick	Chadwick	Carroll	68							1				1	67	60.30		2	1	57	10	9.00					
868	Cornell	Cornell	Livingston	28							1		1	1	3	25	22.50				22	3						
869	Maywood	Maywood	Cook	266		22		6	28		6		24	2	32	262	235.80	10	25	22	241	21	117.20	42.80				
870	Lostant	Lostant	LaSalle	52		2			2				2	1	3	51	45.90		2	2	48	3						
871	Argenta	Argenta	Macon	65							3				3	62	55.80				59	3						
872	Free Will	Oakwood	Vermilion	50		3		1	4							54	48.60		2	4	50	4	20.00					
873	Standard	Chicago	Cook	463		43		4	47		2		6	2	10	500	450.00	2	55	48	467	33	130.00					
874	Nifong	Modesta	Macoupin	37		1		1	2				2		2	37	33.30		2	1	31	6						
875	Corner-Stone	Chicago	Cook	242		32	2		34		3		6	1	10	266	239.40	6	24	25	239	27		57.10				
876	Wm. McKinley	Chicago	Cook	312		42	5	1	48		16		13		29	331	297.90	12	54	42	301	30	109.50	20.00	10.00			
877	Granite City	Granite City	Madison	121		11		2	13				3	1	4	130	117.00		17	11	120	10	80.00	5.60				

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878	Equity	Chicago	Cook	366		83		3	86		2		6	1	9	443	398.70	29	79	84	418	25	192.40	37.50	50.00
879	Composite	Chicago	Cook	239		39			39		2		7	2	11	267	239.40	6	38	35	242	25	60.00	24.75	10.00
880	John B. Sherman	Chicago	Cook	301		50			50		4		11	1	16	335	300.60	6	53	53	305	30		65.10	
881	Marissa	Marissa	St. Clair	51		2		1	3		1				1	53	47.70	1	3	4	43	10	5.00		
882	Boulevard	Chicago	Cook	484	2	78		2	82		2	1	6	2	11	555	499.50	23	93	97	523	32	150.00		
883	Wheeler	Wheeler	Jasper	27												27	24.30				24	3			
884	Bethany	Bethany	Moultrie	53		10		1	11							64	57.60	1	12	10	58	6			
885	Villa Grove	Villa Grove	Douglas	86		5			5		3		1		4	87	78.30	4	5	5	82	5			
886	Hooppole	Hooppole	Henry	20							1				1	19	17.10			1	16	3			
887	Pyramid	Chicago	Cook	56		4			4							60	54.00	3	6	3	52	8	255.00	8.60	
888	Damascus	Chicago	Cook	199		20		2	22				1	4	5	216	194.40	8	24	23	205	11	67.41	9.95	5.00
889	America	Chicago	Cook	353		36		2	38		4		7	3	14	377	339.30	3	35	31	337	40	470.25	35.85	10.00
890	DesPlaines	Desplaines	Cook	92		18		3	21							113	101.70	7	16	18	106	7			
891	Logan Square	Chicago	Cook	306		45		4	49				8		8	347	311.40	23	42	48	320	27	172.60	37.30	
892	Constellation	Chicago	Cook	339		35		2	37		1		9	1	11	365	328.50	6	38	38	352	13	150.00		25.00
893	Loraine	Loraine	Adams	46		4			4				1		1	49	44.10	2	4	4	44	5			
894	Utopia	Chicago	Cook	156		26		1	27				2		2	181	162.90	3	23	23	171	10	15.00	12.80	30.00
895	Crescent	Chicago	Cook	300		58		4	62		2		6		8	354	318.60	23	49	55	332	22	20.00	47.50	10.00
896	Kosmos	Chicago	Cook	183		46		2	48		2		3		5	226	203.40	7	41	40	216	10	200.00		
897	Ogden Park	Chicago	Cook	231		48		2	50			1	2	2	5	276	248.40	12	59	54	271	5	514.89	84.50	
898	Silvis	Silvis	R. Island	91		12		2	14	1			2	1	4	101	90.00	8	10	11	75	26			
899	Park Manor	Chicago	Cook	240	1	54		2	57				3	2	5	292	262.80	3	60	55	275	17	140.00	75.00	
900	Carnation	Chicago	Cook	183		48		2	50		3		7	1	11	222	199.80	6	53	52	191	31	25.00	9.15	10.00
901	Edgewater	Chicago	Cook	282		44		9	53				9		9	326	293.40	6	60	57	315	11		34.10	25.00
902	Alto	Stewart	Lee	30		3			3							33	29.70		1	3	30	3			
903	Elkhart	Elkhart	Logan	41		6		1	7							48	43.20		5	3	45	3	20.00		
904	Carlock	Mechanicsburg	Sangamon	41		9			9	2					2	48	43.20		10	9	46	2			
905	Hanover	Hanover	Jo Daviess	40		2			2				1		1	41	36.90		3	2	32	9			
906	Coffeen	Coffeen	Montg'm'ry	24		2			2							26	23.40		2	2	25	1			
907	Ancient Craft	Chicago	Cook	192		49		9	58				1	2	3	247	222.30	7	52	50	237	10	62.37	49.60	40.00
908	Gil. W. Barnard	Chicago	Cook	100		11		2	13				1		1	112	100.80	1	14	12	103	9	50.00		
909	Bee Hive	Chicago	Cook	120		47			47		5		1	1	7	160	144.00	2	47	47	157	3			50.00
910	Hull	Hull	Pike	47		5		1	6				1		1	52	46.80		6	5	48	4			
911	Bellflower	Bellflewor	McLean	30		8		1	9				1	1	2	37	33.30	1	9	9	37				

912	Stellar	St.Francesville	Lawrence	38		9		1	10		2		2		4	44	39.60	2	11	9	40	4	32.00				
913	Aaron	Chicago	Cook	116		32		1	33					1	1	148	133.20	2	31	30	141	7	157.00				
914	Republic	Chicago	Cook	97		31		7	38				1		1	134	120.60	1	28	28	130	4		10.00			
915	Jackson Park	Chicago	Cook	110	1	33			34				1		1	143	128.70		37	31	134	9	75.00	25.00	7.50		
916	Welcome	Chicago	Cook	189		23		2	25		1		1	1	3	211	189.90	2	26	27	185	26		15.00	30.00		
917	Concord	Chicago	Cook	105		40		5	45			1	2		3	147	132.30	6	40	41	140	7	57.00				
918	Sessor	Sessor	Franklin	30		4		1	5							35	31.50	1	11	5	35						
919	Elwood	Elwood	Will	38		4			4				1	1	2	40	36.00	3	5	4	38	2					
920	Cottonwood	Cottonwood	Gallatin	26		4		1	5				1		1	30	27.00		4	4	28	2					
921	Avondale	Chicago	Cook	126		46			46				2	1	3	169	152.10	17	66	52	166	3	400.00				
922	Compass	Chicago	Cook	83		31		1	32				1	1	2	113	101.70	4	33	29	111	2	14.00	15.80	15.00		
923	East Gate	Chicago	Cook	203		81		3	84			1	1		2	285	256.50	12	66	68	281	4	150.00				
924	Banner Blue	Chicago	Cook	131		52		2	54		1				1	184	165.60	5	47	50	179	5	65.00	80.75	20.00		
925	Molenna	Golden Gate	Wayne	33		8			8							41	36.90	1	6	8	41						
926	Veritas	Chicago	Cook	195		132		6	168				3		3	360	324.00	42	158	161	356	4	251.72				
927	Candida	Chicago	Cook	83		51		9	60		1		1	1	3	140	126.00	6	55	43	138	2	36.00	17.00			
928	Grant Park	Grant Park	Kankakee	28		3		1	4				1		1	31	27.90	1	4	3	31			15.00			
929	Ashland	Ashland	Cass	28		5		1	6	1					1	33	29.70	3	6	5	32	1					
930	Jos. Robbins	Peoria	Peoria	56		5		2	7					1	1	62	55.80	6	7	11	62		100.00				
931	Wilmette	Wilmette	Cook	142		35		19	54					1	1	195	175.50	2	35	36	191	4					
932	Sandoval	Sandoval	Marion	37		15		2	17				1		1	53	47.70	3	13	13	53						
933	Manlius	Manlius	Bureau	30		4			4					1	1	33	29.70	3	3	3	33						
934	Hinsdale	Hinsdale	DuPage	90		1		5	22							112	100.80	1	13	12	106	6	200.00				
935	LaMoine	Brooklyn	Schuyler	20		4		1	5					1	1	24	21.60		2		24						
936	Rock Falls	Rock Falls	Whiteside	45		19		5	24							69	62.10	1	25	21	68	1					
937	North Shore	Chicago	Cook	222		63		19	82				1		1	303	272.70	6	52	64	301	2	318.32	75.18			
938	Circle	Oak Park	Cook	65		20		1	21							86	77.40	3	22	23	83	3	25.00	25.00	5.00		
939	Table Grove	Table Grove	Fulton	38		3			3							41	36.90	1	3	3	40	1					
940	Pearl	Pearl	Pike	21		9			9	1			1		2	28	25.20		9	9	25	3					
941	Elmhurst	Elmhurst	DuPage	62		21		1	22				1		1	83	74.70	4	18	19	82	1					
942	Maple Park	Maple Park	Kane	21		10			10							31	27.90	1	12	11	30	1					
943	Bohemia	Chicago	Cook	98		41		5	46					1	1	143	128.70	9	44	42	143				20.00		
944	John C. Smith	Chicago	Cook	33		52			52							85	76.50	26	54	54	85		42.00		20.00		
945	Buffalo	Buffalo	Sangamon	23		3		1	4					1	1	26	23.40		3	3	25	1					
946	Joy	Joy	Mercer	36		12		2	14					1	1	49	44.10	5	18	16	49						
947	Kenmore	Chicago	Cook	37		12			12							49	44.10	5	28	26	48	1					
948	R. F. Casey	Kell	Marion	21		3		1	4							25	22.50	1	4	3	25						
949	Justice	Chicago	Cook	43		64		1	65				1		1	107	96.30	7	48	62	107		10.00		20.00		
UD	Donovan	Donovan	Iroquois	18		14		5	19							37	28.80	1	16	14	37						
UD	Cicero	Chicago	Cook	30		10		5	15							45	13.50	5	12	11	45						
UD	Glen Ellyn	Glen Ellyn	DuPage	29		14		23	37							66	33.30	6	16	14	66						
UD	Progressive	Chicago	Cook	34		38		10	48							82	43.20	3	38	38	82						
UD	DePue	DePue		14		9		5	14							28	12.60	4	9	9	28						
UD	Washington Pk.	Chicago	Cook	69		28		12	40							109	36.00	3	33	30	103						
UD	Prospect	Chicago	Cook	25		14		4	18							43	16.20	2	15	14	43						
UD	Stone Arch	Cypress	Johnson	11		1		9	10							21	9.00		3	1	21						

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS—Proposed.

Amend Art. 1, Part 1, Grand Lodge By-Laws, by adding thereto:

Sec. 5. There shall be a Committee on New Legislation, consisting of three members of the Grand Lodge, appointed by the Grand Master—one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and thereafter one to be appointed each year to serve three years.

To this committee shall be referred all propositions to amend the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, after the same have been seconded by the Grand Lodge as now provided, and the committee shall report them back to the Grand Lodge with its recommendations as to action thereon. No amendment shall be finally voted upon by the Grand Lodge until said committee has considered and reported upon the same, when it must be favored by a two-thirds vote before becoming law.

To this committee shall also be referred all decisions made by the Grand Master. The committee shall put these decisions into the form of law, giving them numbers under the appropriate article and section of the law, and report thereon to the Grand Lodge. All decisions by the Grand Master shall have the force of law until next meeting of Grand Lodge, but no longer unless then reported upon by the committee and adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Lodge.

Add to Section 3, Article 11, Part 2, the following:

"The territorial jurisdiction of every lodge, located in any city or town, shall include the whole of such city or town."

Amend Section 3, Article 6, Part One, Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Sec. 3. He shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with such security as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed by these by-laws.

Amend Section 2, Article 5, Part One Grand Lodge By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. The Grand Treasurer shall execute and file with the Grand Master, before his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum as may be prescribed by the Grand Lodge, with security to be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in these by-laws, and at the end of his term, or sooner, if lawfully required so to do, pay over and transfer to his successor in office all funds, securities, books, records, vouchers, or property belonging to the Grand Lodge, which shall have come into his keeping.

Amend Section 7, Article 13, by adding the words "Including District Deputy Grand Masters" after the words "Grand Officers," when amended, Section 7 to read as follows:

Every Grand Officer, including District Deputy Grand Masters, shall be entitled to be reimbursed for any monies actually expended in the necessary discharge of his official duties, but in all cases the claims for such reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements of Section 1 of this article.

The following amendments were proposed at the session of 1910, and action postponed at the session of 1911.

Amend Sec. 6, Art. 13, Part 1 of Grand Lodge By-Laws, so that said Section will read as follows:

Sec. 6. The Grand Officers designated in Article 5 of the Constitution, and such Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters and Past Grand Wardens, as shall be present and shall be members of constituent lodges in Illinois (provided that if any such permanent member in attendance on the sessions of the Grand Lodge, be at the time, a sojourner outside of Illinois, his mileage shall be computed from the location of his lodge) each member of a standing committee, and one representative, from each lodge under this jurisdiction, shall be allowed five cents per mile, going and returning, for every mile traveled from the location of his lodge, to be computed by the necessarily traveled route and (except the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary) two dollars per day for each day's actual attendance on the Grand Lodge, or its Committees. Provided that no one shall receive mileage or per diem in more than one capacity.

Amend Art. 3, Part 2 of Grand Lodge By-Laws by adding a new section to be known as Sec. 2.

Section 2. All correspondence of lodges with foreign masonic bodies, except in cases of emergency, shall be conducted through the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

Amend subdivision 3, Sec. 1 of Art. 9, Part 1 of Grand Lodge By-Laws to read as follows:

3. To require from each brother presenting himself as a proxy, a written commission, signed by the proper officer of the lodge which he represents.

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